# Annual Marine Monitoring Report Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel Project Virginia Beach, Virginia

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# **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

CTJV Chesapeake Tunnel Joint Venture

**DTH** Down the Hole

**GPS** Global Positioning System

IHA Incidental Harassment Authorization

**IPP** Interlocking Pipe Pile

MHW Mean High Water

MMMP Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan

**PSO** Protected Species Observer

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**NOAA Fisheries** National Marine Fisheries Service

PTS Permanent Threshold Shift

PTST Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel

**SOE** Support of Excavation

**TBM** Tunnel Boring Machine

#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under the Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) renewal, issued by NOAA March 9, 2021, a total of 138 -36" steel pipe piles were driven, 25 of which were driven to final grade, on the project. This work was performed with the use of a Down The Hole (DTH) hammer, traditional impact and vibratory driving.

In-water pile driving construction under this IHA renewal was done from March 9-17<sup>th</sup>, when production was halted due to unforeseen geological conditions that required a redesign of the Omega Trestle/ Berm. Pile driving resumed only on Island 1 on June 5<sup>th</sup> until November 16<sup>th</sup>, when CTJV received the new IHA. In those months 101 days were spent driving in- water piles (below Mean High Water (MHW) or 10 feet). Of those days Protected Species Observers (PSOs) were onsite 142 days to observe both upland and in-water pile installation. There were a total of 829 marine mammals observed in this time period. 823 of the sightings were of bottlenose dolphins, with the possibility of 103 of those sightings being duplicates of already observed individual dolphins. There were also 6 harbor seal sightings. Of these signings, 2 Level A harassment for harbor seals were recorded and only 12 Level B harassments occurred for bottlenose dolphins in this time frame.

A new IHA was issued on November 16, 2021. The work to be performed under that authorization will be nearly identical to the activities evaluated in the March 9, 2021 IHA renewal, specifically, the location, timing, and type of pile driving activities. The need for the new IHA prior to the expiration of the March 9<sup>th</sup> issued authorization was due to necessary project redesigns that included the installation of additional 42" hollow steel piles and to account for the 36" steel piles that would not be installed under the previous IHA renewal's timeframe due to significant project delays.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

The CTJV's Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel (PTST) project consists of the construction of a two-lane parallel tunnel to the west of the existing Thimble Shoal Tunnel, connecting Portal Island Numbers (Nos.) 1 and 2. Upon completion, the new tunnel will carry two lanes of southbound traffic and the existing tunnel will remain in operation and carry two lanes of northbound traffic. A tunnel boring machine (TBM) will both excavate material and construct the tunnel as it progresses from Portal Island No. 1 to Portal Island No. 2. Precast concrete tunnel segments will be transported to the TBM for installation. The TBM will assemble the tunnel segments in-place as the tunnel is bored. After the tunnel structure is completed, final upland work for the PTST Project will include installation of the final roadway, lighting, finishes, mechanical systems, and

other required internal systems for tunnel use and function. In addition, the existing fishing pier will be repaired and refurbished.

Pile driving activities for the PTST Project have the potential to cause sound levels that exceed Level A and Level B acoustic harassment thresholds for marine mammals, as defined by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Office of Protected Resources (NOAA Fisheries 2016h) and therefore required the need for an IHA.

This project is occurring in the lower Chesapeake Bay which overlaps with a range of several marine mammal species. The granted March 9, 2021 IHA renewal authorized harassments for five species of marine mammals: harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*), gray seal (*Halichoerus grypus*), bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*), harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) and humpback whale (*Megaptera novaeangliae*). These harassments are associated with pile driving activities related to the PTST Project.

Table 1 displays the number of authorized Level A and Level B harassments permissible under this IHA renewal, organized by species and stock.

Table 1- Authorized Amount of Taking, by Level A Harassment and Level B Harassment, by Species and Stock

Species	Stock	Level A Takes	Level B Takes
Humpback Whale	Gulf of Maine	0	12
Harbor Porpise	Gulf of Maine/ Bay of Fundy	5	7
	WNA Coastal, Northern Migratory	142	14,095
Bottlenose Dolphin	WNA Coastal, Southern Migratory	142	14,095
	NNCES	2	198
Harbor Seal	Western North Atlantic	1,296	2,124
Gray Seal	Western North Atlantic	1	3

## 3. MONITORING AND METHIDOLOGY

#### 3.1 MONITORING PROCEDURES

The PTST Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan (MMMP)(Appendix A) was revised to reflect updates in the March 9, 2021 issued IHA renewal. This plan served as the protocol for monitoring marine mammals during pile installation activities in the Project Area. The goal of the MMMP was to prevent unauthorized Level A or Level B takes and to minimize Level B harassment using clearly defined methods for monitoring and shutdown procedures during construction.

Protected Species Observers (PSOs) were located in areas of the islands that offered the best available views of the shutdown and monitoring zones. At least one PSO was located on a Portal Island if any type of in-water pile driving is occurring on that Island. At least one additional PSO is required at each active driving rig or other location providing best possible views of the shutdown and monitoring. If the entire Level B monitoring zone is not visible, pile driving activities may continue, and the number of individual animals within the Level B zone will be estimated and recorded.

Marine mammal monitoring must take place from 30 minutes prior to initiation of pile driving activity through 30 minutes post-completion of pile driving activity. Pre-activity monitoring must be conducted for 30 minutes to ensure that the shutdown zone is clear of marine mammals, and pile driving may commence when observers have declared the shutdown zone clear of marine mammals. In the event of a delay or shutdown of activity resulting from marine mammals in the shutdown zone, animals shall be allowed to remain in the shutdown zone (i.e., must leave of their own volition) and their behavior shall be monitored and documented.

If a marine mammal enters or is observed within an established shutdown zone, pile driving must be halted or delayed. Pile driving may not commence or resume until either the animal has voluntarily left and been visually confirmed beyond the shutdown zone or 15 minutes have passed without subsequent detections of the animal. Shutdown zones are designated at 100 meters for harbor porpoise and bottlenose dolphins, 15 meters for harbor or gray seals. Humpback whale shutdowns are based on the isopleths depicted in Table 2, under low-frequency cetaceans for the particular driving scenario taking place. The authorized Level A and B Harassment Zones are depicted in Table 2.

Table 2 — Level A and Level B Harassment Monitoring Zones During Project Activities (meters)

. ,			Level B Monitoring			
Scenario		Low- Frequency Cetaceans	Mid- Frequency Cetaceans	High- Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds	Zones
Driving Type	Pile Type	Island 1 & 2	Island 1 & 2*	Island 1 & 2	Island 1 & 2	Island 1 & 2
Impact	12-in. Timber	90		105		25
Ппрасс	36-in. Steel	2,920	105	3,480	1,565	1,585
Impact with Bubble Curtain	36-in. Steel	1,000		1,190	535	545
DTH – Impulsive	42-in. Steel	970		1,155	520	215
DTH Simultaneous at same island	42-in. Steel	1,535		1,830	825	215
DTH & Impact Hammer with bubble curtain: Simultaneous at the same island	36-and 42-in. Steel	1,970		2,400	1,055	545
DTH at PI 1. And Impact with Bubble Curtain Hammer at PI 2	36-and 42-in. Steel	970		1,155	520	215 from PI 1 545 from PI 2
	12-in. Timber					1,360
Continuous (Vibratory)	36-in. Steel	20				21,545
	42-in.** Steel	20				21,545

<sup>\*</sup>indicates that shutdown zone is larger than calculated harassment zone.

# 3.2 PROTECTED SPECIES OBSERVER QUALIFICATIONS

The CTJV employed NOAA Fisheries-approved PSOs from REMSA and AZURA, to monitor Level A, Level B and Shutdown Zones. These individuals met the qualifications and experience

<sup>\*\*</sup>Activity only planned at Portal Island 1 as part of project pile driving plan.

outlined in Section 5 of the March 9, 2021 issued IHA renewal. Credentials are provided in Appendix D.

Days where pile installation activities occurred, observers were on site and observation records were completed. The following data was included in the observation records:

- Dates and times (begin and end) of all marine mammal monitoring.
- Construction activities occurring during each daily observation period, including how many and what type of piles were driven or removed and by what method (*i.e.*, impact or vibratory).
- Weather parameters and water conditions during each monitoring period (*e.g.*, wind speed, percent cover, visibility, sea state).
- The number of marine mammals observed, by species, relative to the pile location and if pile driving or removal was occurring at time of sighting.
- Age and sex class, if possible, of all marine mammals observed.
- MMO locations during marine mammal monitoring.
- Distances and bearings of each marine mammal observed to the pile being driven or removed for each sighting (if pile driving or removal was occurring at time of sighting).
- Description of any marine mammal behavior patterns during observation, including direction of travel.
- Number of individuals of each species (differentiated by month as appropriate) detected within the monitoring zone, and estimates of number of marine mammals taken, by species (a correction factor may be applied to total take numbers, as appropriate).
- Detailed information about any implementation of any mitigation triggered (e.g., shutdowns and delays), a description of specific actions that ensued, and resulting behavior of the animal, if any.
- Description of attempts to distinguish between the number of individual animals taken and the number of incidences of take, such as ability to track groups or individuals.
- Level A and Level B harassment exposures recorded by PSOs must be extrapolated based upon the number of observed takes and the percentage of respective harassment zones that are not visible.
- Marine mammal observational datasheets or raw data.

The PSOs followed the authorized harassment zones for each activity based on guidance from the March 9, 2021 issued IHA renewal.

#### 4. OBSERVATIONS AND FINDINGS

# 4.1 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The PTST Project in- water pile driving activities under the March 9, 2021issued IHA renewal was paused March 17<sup>th</sup> due to a project redesign and did not begin until June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and was

concluded on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 when the new IHA was issued. During this construction window, a total of 138 - 36" steel pipe piles were driven for the Interlocking Pipe Piles (IPP) for the Support Of Excavation (SOE) wall for the Portal Island No. 1 berm, 93 of which were below MHW.

# In-water activities that occurred during 2021 IHA Renewal Construction Window:

During this window, all pile driving efforts were concentrated on the construction of a IPP wall on Portal Island No. 1. The installation of the 138-36" diameter hollow steel, interlocking pipe piles were installed using a DTH hammer to get through the armor stone, then switching to an impact hammer to drive the pile to final elevation. An enclosed bubble curtain was approved by NOAA for use on the construction of the IPP wall (Figure 1). This design was a 3-sided curtain that contained the bubbles outside the parameter of the pile installation back to the armor rock. In accordance with the authorization, the bubble curtain was used during impact driving.

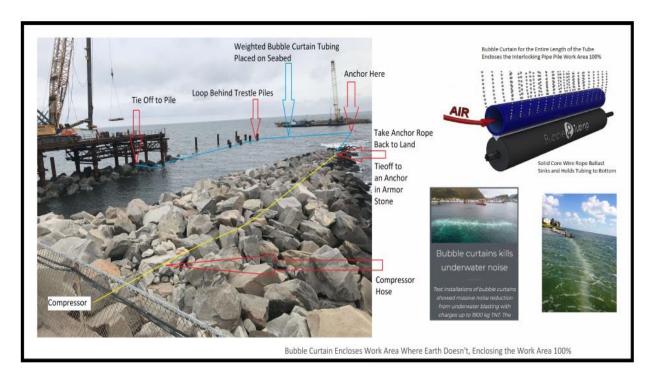


Figure 1: NOAA Approved Alternative Bubble Curtain for Interlocking Pipe Piles

Table 3 outlines the progression of in- water pile installation throughout the March 9, 2021 IHA Renewal Construction Window.

Table 3- Pile Installation Schedule Under March 9, 2021 Issued IHA Renewal

			PI#1 Eas	t IPP Drillin	g and Dr	iving Log		
Pile #	Top of Rock	Bottom of Bottom Layer of Rock	Rock Layer Thickness	Drilled Date	Initial Impact Elevation	Initial Impact Elevation Date	Impact to Final Elevation	Impact to Final  Elevation Date
17E	+18.50'	-6.00'	24.50'	6/5/2021	+26.55'	6/7/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
18E	+16.75	-5.00'	21.75	6/7/2021	+26.58'	6/7/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
19E	+16.25	-5.50'	21.75	6/8/2021	+26.58'	6/8/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
20E	+16.00'	-5.50'	21.50'	6/10/2021	+26.69'	6/10/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
21E	+16.75	-4.50'	21.25'	6/10/2021	+26.52'	6/11/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
22E	+16.50'	-3.50'	20.00'	6/11/2021	+26.53'	6/11/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
23E	+15.00'	-6.50'	21.50'	6/14/2021	+26.55'	6/14/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
24E	+15.00'	-8.00'	23.00'	6/17/2021	+26.56'	6/18/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
25E	+13.00'	-9.00'	22.00'	6/18/2021	+26.58'	6/18/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
26E	+11.00'	-5.50'	16.50'	6/21/2021	+26.51'	6/21/2021	+22.00'	7/14/2021
27E	+12.00'	-9.00'	21.00'	6/21/2021	+26.46'	6/22/2021	+10.00'	7/14/2021
28E	+11.50'	-9.50'	21.00'	6/24/2021	+26.46'	6/24/2021	+10.00'	7/14/2021
29E	+10.00'	-8.00'	18.00'	6/25/2021	+26.51'	6/25/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
30E	+5.00'	-9.00'	14.00'	6/25/2021	+26.53'	6/25/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
31E	+6.00'	-6.25'	12.25'	6/28/2021	+26.43'	6/28/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
32E	+7.50'	-7.75'	15.25'	6/29/2021	+26.49'	6/29/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
33E	+6.00'	-7.25'	13.25'	6/29/2021	+26.45'	6/29/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
34E	+4.50'	-8.50'	13.00'	6/30/2021	+26.43'	7/1/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
35E	+2.00'	-8.50'	10.50'	7/6/2021	+26.38'	7/6/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
36E	+1.50'	-8.50'	10.00'	7/6/2021	+26.37'	7/6/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
37E	+4.50'	-3.75'	8.25'	7/7/2021	+26.32'	7/7/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
38E	+2.50'	-8.50'	11.00'	7/9/2021	+26.19'	7/9/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
39E	+2.50'	-10.50'	13.00'	7/10/2021	+26.21'	7/10/2021	+10.00'	7/20/2021
40E	+2.00'	-4.50'	06.50'	7/12/2021	+26.16'	7/12/2021	+10.20'	7/20/2021
41E*	+0.50'	-12.5'	13.00'	7/12/2021	NA	NA	+3.93'	7/21/2021
Pile #4	1E was cut o	off at elevation +3.9	93'					
42E				Skipped F	Pile – 7/12/202	21		
43E	-0.75	-15.15'	14.40'	7/24/2021	+10.51'	7/26/2021		
44E	-4.15'	-12.15'	08.00'	7/27/2021	+10.52'	7/27/2021		
45E	-3.80'	-13.95'	10.15'	7/28/2021	10.7	7/29/2021		
46E	-5.59'	-17.30'	11.71'	7/29/2021	10.61	7/29/2021		
47E	-2.69'	-15.22	12.53'	8/2/2021	+10.58'	8/3/2021		
48E	-1.56'	-14.83	13.27'	8/3/2021	+10.48'	8/3/2021		
49E	-0.80'	-23.33'	22.53'	8/5/2021	+10.49'	8/5/2021		
50E	-2.02'	-19.38'	17.36'	8/5/2021	+10.53'	8/5/2021		
51E	-0.65'	-23.97'	23.32'	8/6/2021	+10.53'	8/6/2021		
52E*	-4.03'	-24.00'	19.97'	8/6/2021	+10.46'	8/6/2021		
		te was adjusted 2"		Π	1	Г	1	
53E	2.43'	-21.36	23.79'	8/9/2021	+10.52'	8/9/2021	ļ	
54E	-6.89'	-24.48'	17.59'	8/10/2021	+10.54'	8/10/2021	ļ	
55E	0.56'	-21.75'	21.19'	8/13/2021	+10.60'	8/16/2021	ļ	
56E	-0.85	-28.76'	27.91'	8/17/2021	+10.69'	8/17/2021		
57E	-0.65	-23.47'	22.82'	8/18/2021	+10.67'	8/18/2021		

58E	-1.08'	-26.97'	25.89'	8/18/2021	+10.66'	8/18/2021	1
59E	1.00	20.57	23.07		Pile - 8/19/202		<u> </u>
60E	-4.28'	-23.02'	18.04'	8/19/2021	+10.57	8/19/2021	
61E	-3.64'	-29.57'	25.93	8/20/2021	+10.00'	8/20/2021	
62E	+0.50'	-20.73	21.23	8/21/2021	+10.00'	8/21/2021	-
63E	-8.91'	-21.00'	12.09'	8/21/2021	+10.00'	8/21/2021	-
64E	-4.84'	-18.90'	14.06'	8/23/2021	+10.00'	8/23/2021	-
65E	-3.25	-19.52'	16.27	8/24/2021	+10.00'	8/24/2021	-
66E	-4.50'	-23.18'	18.68'	8/24/2021	+10.00	8/24/2021	
67E	-7.93	-24.25'	16.32'	8/24/2021	+10.00'	8/24/2021	
68E	-0.85	-24.08'	23.23	8/25/2021	+10.00'	8/25/2021	
69E	-4.62'	-23.00'	18.38'	8/25/2021	+10.00	8/25/2021	
70E	-4.60'	-23.80'	19.20'	8/26/2021	+10.00'	8/26/2021	
71E	-6.88'	-24.05'	17.17	8/26/2021	+10.00'	8/26/2021	
72E	-1.54'	-19.46'	17.92'	8/27/2021	+10.00'	8/27/2021	,
73E	-4.58'	-25.58'	21.00'	8/27/2021	+10.00'	8/27/2021	
74E	-2.94'	-24.01'	21.00	8/27/2021	+10.00'	8/27/2021	
75E	-5.45'	-19.50'	14.05	8/30/2021	+10.00'	8/30/2021	
76E	-2.30'	-22.36'	20.06'	8/31/2021	+10.00'	8/31/2021	,
77E	-3.33'	-27.5'	24.17	9/1/2021	+10.00'	9/1/2021	
78E	3.33	27.3	24.17		Pile – 9/3/202		<u> </u>
79E	-6.75'	-21.28'	14.53'	9/3/2021	+10.00'	9/3/2021	
80E	-2.72'	-43.51'	40.79	9/7/2021	+10.00'	9/7/2021	
81E	-2	-41.60'	39.60'	9/7/2021	+10.00	9/8/2021	
82E	-4.01'	-33.43'	29.42'	9/8/2021	+10.00'	9/8/2021	-
83E	-1.91'	-31.17'	29.26'	9/8/2021	+10.00'	9/9/2021	
84E	-5.86'	-37.95	32.09'	9/10/2021	+10.00'	9/10/2021	
85E	-3.50'	-28.24'	24.74	9/13/2021	+10.00'	9/13/2021	
86E	-5.52'	-35.15'	29.63	9/13/2021	+10.00'	9/13/2021	
87E	-0.30'	-37.80'	37.5	9/14/2021	+10.00'	9/14/2021	
88E	-1.88'	-39.3'	37.42'	9/15/2021	+10.00'	9/15/2021	
89E	-3.91'	-36.53'	32.62'	9/15/2021	+10.00'	9/15/2021	
90E	-2.37'	-34.90'	32.53'	9/16/2021	+10.52'	9/16/2021	
91E	-7.14'	-35.44'	28.30'	9/17/2021	+10.55'	9/17/2021	
92E	-8.78	-35.40'	26.62'	9/21/2021	+10.42'	9/22/2021	
93E	-7.3	-34.24	26.94	9/27/2021	+10.44'	9/30/2021	
94E	-11.15	-34.13	22.98'	10/1/2021	+10.45'	10/1/2021	
95E	-10.94'	-31.04'	20.1'	10/4/2021	+10.48'	10/4/2021	
96E	-7.14'	-29.29'	22.15'	10/5/2021	+10.48'	10/5/2021	
97E	-1.67'	-27.31'	25.64	10/6/2021	+10.45	10/6/2021	
98E	-8.78'	-31.19'	22.41'	10/7/2021	+10.39'	10/7/2021	
99E	-8.26'	-34.74'	26.48'	10/12/2021	+10.00'	10/12/2021	
100E	-7.03	-33.46'	26.43'	10/12/2021	+10.00'	10/12/2021	
101E	-9.87	-31.07	21.2'	10/13/2021	+10.00'	10/13/2021	
102E	-8.98	-32.76	23.78'	10/14/2021	10	10/14/2021	
103E	-9.6	-32.95	23.35'	10/15/2021	10	10/15/2021	
104E	-12.71	-34.12	21.41'	10/19/2021	10	10/19/2021	
105E	-14.78	-33.02	18.24'	10/20/2021	10	10/20/2021	

106E	-13.18	-28.88	15.7'	10/21/2021	10.79	10/21/2021	
107E	-15.99'	-32.86'	16.87'	10/22/2021	10.76	10/22/2021	
108E	-6.3	-33.53'	27.23'	10/29/2021	10.81	10/29/2021	
109E	-8.34'	-29.3'	20.96'	10/29/2021	10.75	10/29/2021	
110E	-10.09	-32.8	22.71'	10/30/2021	10.9	10/30/2021	
111E	-15.1	-34.47	19.37'	11/1/2021	10	11/1/2021	
112E	-11.75	-29.91	18.16'	11/2/2021	10	11/2/2021	
113E	-11.26	-31.05	19.79'	11/2/2021	10	11/3/2021	
114E	-13.97	-33.21	19.24'	11/9/2021	10	11/9/2021	
115E	-16.15	-33.05	16.9'	11/10/2021	10	11/10/2021	
116E	-14.04	-33.32	19.28'	11/10/2021	10	11/10/2021	
117E	-15.35	-33.87	18.52'	11/11/2021	10	11/11/2021	
118E	-16.65	-32.39	15.74'	11/16/2021	10	11/16/2021	
119E	-17.67	-34.16	16.49'	11/16/2021			

Empty cells indicate that pile has not been driven to final grade

		PI	#1 West IPF	P Drilling ar	nd Driving I	_og		
Pile #	Top of Rock	Bottom of Bottom Layer of Rock	Rock Layer Thickness	Drilled Date	Initial Impact Elevation	Initial Impact Elevation Date	Impact to Final Elevation	Impact to Final Elevation Date
1W	+19'	+9'	10'	10/22/2019	31.86'			
2W	+20'	+10'	10'	10/28/2019	22.68'	5/26/2021		
3W	+18'	-7'	25'	10/31/2019	22.64'	5/27/2020		
4W	+18'	+12'	6'	11/26/2019	22.56'	5/27/2020		
5W	+18'	0	18'	3/4/2020	22.47'	5/26/2020		
6W	+15'	+1'	16'	3/6/2020	22.4'	5/26/2020		
7W	+18'	0	18'	3/11/2020	22.25'	5/26/2020		
8W	+17.83'	0	17.8'	03/12/020	22.2'	5/26/2020		
9W	+13.75'	0	13.8'	3/13/2020	31.68'	5/26/2020		
10W	+17.96'	-8.85'	26.81'	9/28/2021				
11W	+18.3'	-1.78'	20.03'	9/29/2021	31.86'	9/29/2021		
12W	15.87	-6.78	22.65'	9/30/2021	31.86'	9/30/2021		
13W	14.96	-7.11	22.07'	9/30/2021	31.86'	10/1/2021		
14W	15.78	-7.66	23.44'	10/1/2021	31.86'	10/1/2021		
15W	12.07	-7.79	19.86'	10/1/2021	31.52'	10/4/2021		
16W	12.12	-11.94	24.06'	10/5/2021	31.58'	10/5/2021		
17W	19.69	-6.96	26.65'	10/6/2021	31.56'	10/6/2021		
18W	18.71	-9.86	28.57'	10/6/2021	31.56'	10/6/2021		
19W	11.88	-9.18	21.06'	10/7/2021	31.59'	10/8/2021		
20W	14.35	-10.19	24.54'	10/8/2021	31.86'	10/8/2021		
21W	12.15	-12.15	24.3'	10/12/2021	31.86'	10/12/2021		

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165W	20.11	2.8	17.31'	10/13/2021	31.86'	10/13/2021	
164W	20.55	9.05	11.5'	10/14/2021	31.86'	10/15/2021	
163W	18.6	8.81	9.81'	10/15/2021	31.86'	10/15/2021	
162W	19.29	6.95	12.34'	10/15/2021	31.86'	10/15/2021	
22W	8.7	-7.18	15.88'	10/19/2021	31.86'	10/19/2021	
23W	7.24	0.34	6.9'	10/20/2021	31.86'	10/20/2021	
24W	7.13	-7.45	14.58'	10/20/2021	31.86'	10/20/2021	
25W	9.02	-17.26	26.28'	10/21/2021	27.30'	10/21/2021	
				Skipped 26W			
27W	+7.26'	-9.14'	16.4'	10/27/2021	26.30'	10/28/2021	
28W	+4.3'	-11.67	7.37'	10/28/2021	25.99'	10/28/2021	
29W	7.3	-10.97	18.27'	11/1/2021	31.86'	11/1/2021	
30W	2.52	-9.85	12.37'	11/2/2021	31.86'	11/2/2021	
31W	4.37	-10.47	14.84'	11/2/2021	31.86'	11/3/2021	
32W	4.52	-6.46	10.98'	11/3/2021	31.86'	11/3/2021	
33W	6.58	-13.75	20.33'	11/4/2021	31.86'	11/4/2021	
34W	4.36	-12.56	16.92'	11/4/2021	31.86'	11/4/2021	
35W	4.55	-12.49	17.04	11/8/2021	31.86'	11/8/2021	
36W	4.06	-13.26	17.32'	11/8/2021	31.86'	11/9/2021	
37W	-0.13	-12.33	12.20'	11/9/2021	31.86'	11/9/2021	
38W	8.36	-16.75	25.11'	11/10/2021	31.86'	11/10/2021	 
39W	-1.21	-16.87	15.66'	11/11/2021	31.86'	11/11/2021	 
40W	7.61	-17.91	25.52'	11/16/2021	31.86'	11/16/2021	

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A detailed description of the construction activities for which takes were authorized may be found in the Federal Register notice of proposed IHA renewal for the 2021 authorization (86 FR 14606; March 10, 2021). The location, timing (e.g., seasonality), and nature of the pile driving operations, including the type and size of piles and the methods of driving, analyzed in the 2021 IHA Renewal Request are identical to those analyzed in the previous 2020 issued IHA.

## 4.2 Marine Species Observed in the Project Area

In-water pile driving construction under this IHA renewal was performed from March 9-17<sup>th</sup>, when production was halted due to unforeseen geological conditions that required a redesign. Pile driving resumed only on Island 1 on June 5<sup>th</sup> until November 16<sup>th</sup>, when CTJV received the new IHA . In that time, 101 days were spent driving in- water piles (below MHW). Of those days PSOs were onsite 142 days to observe both upland and in-water pile installation. There were a

total of 829 marine mammals observed in this time period. 823 of the sightings were of bottlenose dolphins, with the possibility of 103 of those sightings being duplicates of already observed individual dolphins, and 6 harbor seal sightings. Of these sightings, 2 Level A harassments for harbor seals were recorded and 12 Level B harassments occurred for bottlenose dolphins.

Table 4 details the marine mammal sighting that occurred during the March 9, 2021 issued IHA renewal. Observed marine mammal log can be found in Appendix B.

Table 4- Observed Mammals During Pile Driving Activities Under March 2021 Issued IHA

Species	Species Observed March 9, 2021- November 16, 2021
Humpback Whale	0
Harbor Porpise	0
Bottlenose Dolphin	823
Harbor Seal	6
Gray Seal	0

Table 5 indicates how many Level A and B Harassments were authorized and actually occurred by species and stock

Table 5- Level A and Level B Harassment, By Species and Stock

Species	Stock	Level A Takes Allowed in 2021 IHA Renewal	Level B Takes Allowed in 2021 IHA Renewal	Level A Takes to Occur Under 2021 IHA Renewal	Level B Takes to Occur Under 2021 IHA Renewal
Humpback Whale	Gulf of Maine	-	12	-	-

Harbor Porpise	Gulf of Maine/ Bay of Fundy	5	7	-	-
	WNA Coastal, Northern Migratory	142	14,095	1	6
Bottlenose Dolphin	WNA Coastal, Southern Migratory	142	14,095	-	6
	NNCES	2	198	-	-
Harbor Seal	Western North Atlantic	1,296	2,124	2	-
Gray Seal	Western North Atlantic	1	3	-	-

#### 5. MITIGATION MEASURES

## 5.1 GENERAL CONSTRUCTION MITIGATION

The Project followed the guidance of NOAA's March 9, 2021 issued IHA Mitigation Measures. These measures include:

- For in-water construction heavy machinery activities other than pile driving (*e.g.*, use of barge-mounted excavators, or dredging), if a marine mammal comes within 10 m, CTJV must cease operations and reduce vessel speed to the minimum level required to maintain steerage and safe working conditions.
- CTJV is required to conduct briefings for construction supervisors and crews, the monitoring team, and CTJV staff prior to the start of all pile driving activity, and when new personnel join the work, in order to explain responsibilities, communication procedures, the marine mammal monitoring protocol, and operational procedures.
- CTJV is required to employ between two and four MMOs per the activity as outlined in the issued March 9, 2021 IHA renewal.
- Marine mammal monitoring must take place from 30 minutes prior to initiation of pile driving activity through 30 minutes post-completion of pile driving activity. Pre-activity monitoring must be conducted for 30 minutes to ensure that the shutdown zone is clear of marine mammals, and pile driving may commence when observers have declared the shutdown zone clear of marine mammals. In the event of a delay or shutdown of activity resulting from marine mammals in the shutdown zone, animals shall be allowed to remain in the shutdown zone (*i.e.*, must leave of their own volition) and their behavior shall be monitored and documented.

CTJV must establish shutdown zones at the following distances:

- i. 100 meters for harbor porpoise and bottlenose dolphin.
- ii. 15 meters for harbor seal and gray seal.
- iii. For humpback whales isopleths in low-frequency cetaceans, depending on activity type, has a shutdown zone between 90- 2,920 meters (as depicted in Table 2).
- If a marine mammal enters or is observed within an established shutdown zone pile driving must be halted or delayed. Pile driving may not commence or resume until either the animal has voluntarily left and been visually confirmed beyond the shutdown zone or 15 minutes have passed without subsequent detections of the animal.
- Should environmental conditions deteriorate such that marine mammals within the entire shutdown zone would not be visible (e.g., fog, heavy rain), pile driving and removal must be delayed until the MMO(s) is confident marine mammals within the shutdown zone could be detected.
- CTJV must use soft start techniques when impact pile driving. Soft start requires contractors to provide an initial set of strikes at reduced energy, followed by a thirty-second waiting period, then two subsequent reduced energy strike sets. A soft start must be implemented at the start of each day's impact pile driving and at any time following cessation of impact pile driving for a period of thirty minutes or longer.
- CTJV must use an air bubble curtain system during impact pile driving of steel pipe piles. Bubble curtains must meet the following requirements:
  - i. The bubble curtain must distribute air bubbles around 100 percent of the piling perimeter for the full depth of the water column.
  - ii. The lowest bubble ring must be in contact with the mudline and/or rock bottom for the full circumference of the ring, and the weights attached to the bottom ring shall ensure 100 percent mudline and/or rock bottom contact. No parts of the ring or other objects shall prevent full mudline and/or rock bottom contact.
  - iii. The bubble curtain must be operated such that there is proper (equal) balancing of air flow to all bubblers.

- iv. CTJV must employ the bubble curtain during impact pile driving of all steel piles in water depths greater than 3 m (10 ft.).
- CTJV must establish Level A harassment and B harassment monitoring zones as.

If a species for which authorization has not been granted, or a species for which authorization has been granted but the authorized takes are met, is observed entering or within the monitoring zones outlined in the March 9, 2021 IHA renewal, pile driving activities must shut down immediately using delay and shutdown procedures. Activities must not resume until the animal has been confirmed to have left the area on their own or the 15-minute observation time period has elapsed.

Level A and Level B harassment exposures recorded by PSOs must be extrapolated based upon the number of observed takes and the percentage of respective harassment zones that are not visible. If the entire Level B monitoring zone is not visible, pile driving activities may continue, and the number of individual animals within the Level B zone will be estimated and recorded. Estimated numbers of individuals will be extrapolated by dividing the number of observed individuals by the percentage of the monitoring zone that was visible.

# APPENDIX A-

Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan

# Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan for the Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel Project

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# **ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS**

CT JV Chesapeake Tunnel Joint Venture

DTH Down the Hole

ft feet

GPS Global Positioning System

IHA Incidental Harassment Authorization

MHW Mean High Water MLW Mean Low Water

MMMP Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOAA Fisheries National Marine Fisheries Service

Nos. Numbers

PTS Permanent Threshold Shift PTST Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel

SOE Support of Excavation

TBM Tunnel boring machine

ZOI Zone of impact

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Parallel Thimble Shoal Tunnel (PTST) Project consists of the construction of a two-lane parallel tunnel to the west of the existing Thimble Shoal Tunnel, connecting Portal Island Numbers (Nos.) 1 and 2 (Figure 1). Upon completion, the new tunnel will carry two lanes of southbound traffic and the existing tunnel will remain in operation and carry two lanes of northbound traffic. The 6,525 linear feet (ft) of new tunnel will be constructed using a tunnel boring machine (TBM), with 5,356 linear ft located below Mean High Water (MHW).

Pile driving during construction of the PTST Project has the potential to cause sound levels that exceed Level A and Level B acoustic harassment thresholds for marine mammals as defined by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) Office of Protected Resources (NOAA Fisheries 2016).

During a 12-month construction period extending from September 2019 through August 2020 (Table 1), up to 130 hollow steel piles measuring 36 inches in diameter will be installed to support a temporary dock at Portal Island No. 1. Of these, 64 will be placed in-water and 47 will be placed upland (above the Mean High Water [MHW] line). Up to 30 hollow steel piles (36-inch diameter) will be installed to provide mooring facilities on the west side of the portal islands (a total of 6 dolphin moorings comprised of 5 piles each).

Construction will also include two temporary Omega trestles, each with 28 in-water and 8 upland piles, for a total of 36, 36-inch hollow steel pipe piles offset to the west side of each engineered berm and extending channelward from Portal Island Nos. 1 and 2, respectively. In-water pile driving activities, will also include installation of o-piles for berm Support of Excavation (SOE) walls at each portal island. Up to a total of 488 36-inch diameter hollow steel interlocked piles will be installed in-water for the SOE walls. There will also be driving of landside sheet pile on Portal Island No. 1 to construct the holding bins (muck bin) for excavated tunnel material and to support tunnel excavation activities.

Table 1. Authorized Amount of Taking, by Level A Harassment and Level B Harassment, by species and stock

Species	Stock	Level A Takes	Level B Takes	
Humpback whale	Gulf of Maine			
Harbor porpoise	Gulf of Maine/Bay of Fundy	5	7	
	WNA Coastal, Northern Migratory	142	14,095	
Bottlenose dolphin	WNA Coastal, Southern Migratory	142	14,095	
	NNCES	2	198	
Harbor seal	Western North Atlantic	1,296	2,124	
Gray seal	Western North Atlantic	1	3	

The Chesapeake Tunnel Joint Venture (CTJV) has submitted an Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) application to request takes for four species: harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*), gray seals (*Halichoerus grypus*), bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops* spp.), and humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*) by Level B harassment. Fin whales (*Balaenoptera physalus*), North Atlantic right whales (*Eubalaena glacialis*), and harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) are expected to be rare in the PTST Project Area, and no takes have been requested for these species. Pile and sheet pile driving operations will cease if any marine mammal species enters the Level A Shutdown Zones (Section 3) or if fin whales, humpback whales, North Atlantic right whales, and harbor porpoise are observed in the level B monitoring zones (Section 3). No takes are requested for airborne noise associated with on-land pile driving. Prior to the issuance of the IHA, pile driving on Portal Islands will cease if gray or harbor seals are observed entering the Level B airborne noise monitoring zone associated with these activities. Takes requested are summarized in Table 2.

Table 2. Level A and B Harrassment Monitoring Zones During Project Activities (meters)

Scenario		Level A Harassment Zones			Level B	
		Low-Frequency Cetaceans	Mid-Frequency Cetaceans	High-Frequency Cetaceans	Phocid Pinnipeds Island 1 & 2	Monitoring Zones Island 1 & 2
Driving Type	Pile Type	Island 1 & 2	Island 1 & 2 Island 1 & 2			
Impact	12-in. Timber	90	22	105		25
	36-in. Steel	2,920	105	3,480	1,565	1,585
Impact with Bubble Curtain	36-in. Steel	1,000	- mar	1,190	535	545
DTH – Impulsive	42-in. Steel	970	632	1,155	520	215
DTH Simultaneous at same island	42-in. Steel	1,535		1,830	825	215
DTH & Impact Hammer with bubble curtain: Simultaneous at the same island	36-and 42-in. Steel	1,970	-	2,400	1,055	545

DTH at PI 1. And Impact with Bubble Curtain Hammer at PI 2	36-and 42-in. Steel	970	=	1,155	520	215 from PI 1 545 from PI 2
Continuous (Vibratory)	12-in. Timber	27 <u>0</u> 0	221	1122	1227	1,360
	36-in. Steel	20		-		21,545
	42- in.** Steel	20		742	220	21,545

<sup>--</sup> indicates that shutdown zone is larger than calculated harassment zone.

Level A Shutdown Zones and B Zones of Impact (ZOI) are calculated based on the type of activity occurring and the hearing frequency of the marine mammal. Animals that may inhabit or pass through the area of construction are classified within the following hearing frequencies:

## High Frequency Cetacean:

• Harbor Porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*)

## Mid-Frequency Cetacean:

• Bottlenose Dolphins (*Tursiops spp.*)

## Low Frequency Cetacean:

- Baleen Whales:
  - o Fin Whale (Balaenoptera physalus)
  - Humpback Whale (Megaptera novaeangliae)
  - North Atlantic Right Whale (Eubalaena glacialis)

## Phocid Pinnipeds:

- Harbor Seals (*Phoca vitulina*)
- Gray Seals (*Halichoerus grypus*)

This PTST Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan (MMMP) proposes a protocol for monitoring marine mammals during round pile and sheet pile driving activities in the Project Area. The goal of this MMMP is to prevent unauthorized Level A or Level B takes and to minimize Level B harassment using clearly defined methods for monitoring and shutdown procedures during construction. Incidents of harassment and construction shutdown events will be recorded and reported.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Activity only planned at Portal Island 1 as part of project pile driving plan.

#### 2. METHODS

# 2.1 MONITORING PROCEDURES

The CTJV, the design-build contractor for the PTST Project, proposes the following MMMP procedures:

- Use of marine mammal observers during pile and sheet pile driving activities. Observers will meet the criteria defined in Section 2.2.
- Monitoring distances, in accordance with the Level A Shutdown Zone and Level B ZOI identified in Section 3, will be determined by using a range finder, scope, hand-held global positioning system (GPS) device or landmarks with known distances from the monitoring positions. Monitoring locations will be based on land at either Portal Island No. 1 or Portal Island No. 2.
- If the entire Level B monitoring zone is not visible, pile driving activities may continue, and the number of individual listed animals within the Level B zone will be estimated and recorded. Estimated numbers of individuals will be extrapolated by dividing the number of observed individuals by the percentage of the monitoring zone that was visible.
- Zones will be monitored for the presence of marine mammals 30 minutes before, during, and 30 minutes after any pile driving activity. Observers will scan the waters within the area of potential sound effects using binoculars (10X42 or similar) or spotting scopes (20-60 zoom or equivalent), and make visual observations.
- Monitoring will be continuous unless the contractor takes a break longer than 2 hours from active pile and sheet pile driving, in which case, monitoring will be required 30 minutes prior to restarting pile installation.
- If marine mammals are observed, their location within the zones, and their reaction (if any) to pile activities will be documented.
- If a marine mammal crosses into the designated ZOIs for that species, additional monitoring or a temporary stop to pile driving activity will occur, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Section 5 of this Monitoring Plan.
- If weather or sea conditions restrict the observer's ability to observe, or become unsafe, pile installation will be suspended until conditions allow for monitoring to resume.
- For in-water pile driving, under conditions of fog or poor visibility that might obscure the presence of a marine mammal within the shutdown zone, the pile in progress will be completed and then pile driving suspended until visibility conditions improve. Visibility will be confirmed and approved by the MMO at the beginning of the shift. Likewise, the certified MMO will determine the number of observers needed to cover the ZOI based on

the visibility conditions anticipated for the following shift and their best professional judgement call.

Monitoring will occur year-round, during pile driving operations, because some marine mammal species have the potential to be present at any time of the year.

# 2.2 OBSERVER QUALIFICATIONS

The CTJV will employ NOAA Fisheries-approved marine mammal observers to monitor Level A Shutdown Zones and Level B ZOI. These individuals will be independent (i.e., not construction personnel) trained biologists with:

- Visual acuity in both eyes sufficient to see moving objects on the water's surface; ability to estimate object size and distance.
- The ability to make visual field observations and collect data as described in the protocol.
- Experience or training with identifying marine mammals in the field.
- Sufficient training, orientation or experience with the construction operation to provide for personal safety during observations.
- Ability to communicate orally, by radio or in person, with project personnel to provide real-time information on marine mammals observed in the area as necessary.
- Experience and ability to conduct field observations and collect data according to assigned protocols (this may include academic experience).
- The ability to prepare a status report of monitoring activities that describes the species
  and number of individuals observed, dates and times of construction activities; dates of
  when construction activities were ceased or shutdown to avoid Level A harassment to
  any species or Level B harassment for any species for that the PTST Project is not
  authorized to take.

If only one marine mammal observer is needed, this individual will have prior experience with observing marine mammals in the field. If teams of two or more observers are needed, one observer will be designated as the lead observer. The lead observer will have prior experience working as a marine mammal observer, and additional observers may substitute education or training for experience.

#### 2.3 DATA COLLECTION

Marine mammal observers at the PTST Project Area will use Observation Record Forms approved by NOAA. An observation record will be completed by each observer for each location and day of survey.

The following data will be included in the observation records:

- Date and time that in-water or upland round pile or sheet pile driving/installation begins and/or ends;
- Sea state using the Beaufort Wind Force Scale and weather including percent cloud cover, percent glare, visibility;
- Species, numbers of individuals, and when possible the sex and age class of observed marine mammals;
- Pile driving or sheet pile activities occurring during each sighting;
- Behaviors exhibited by observed marine mammals, including bearing and direction of travel, and behavioral responses to soft-start and shutdown procedures;
- Location of marine mammal, distance from observer to marine mammal, and distance from the pile driving activities to the marine mammal.
- Whether the observation required implementation of shutdown procedures and the duration of each shutdown;
- Other human activity in the area such as fishing or transit of navy or cargo ships in the navigation channel. Hull numbers of fishing, cargo, or navy vessels will be recorded if possible.

# 2.4 EQUIPMENT

Marine mammal observers will have the following equipment available during monitoring:

- Binoculars
- Range finder
- Logbook
- Cell phone or other wireless communication
- GPS Unit (for all vessel based observations, if implemented).

## 3. LEVEL A AND LEVEL B MONITORING ZONES

Impact hammer and Down-the-hole (DTH) drill will be used to install hollow steel and king piles. Above Mean High Water, sheet piles will be installed using a vibratory and impact hammer. No airborne sound data were available for impact driving of King Piles and Sheet Piles to determine in-air Level B monitoring zones and therefore, the Level B ZOI for impact driving of the hollow steel pile should be followed during such activity. The Level B ZOI will remain constant in size through the daily pile driving activities. The Level A Shutdown Zones will depend on the duration of pile driving activity and the presence of marine mammals per 24-hour period. For impact driving, up to 3 piles will be driven per 24-hour period using the following adaptive monitoring approach: Monitoring will begin each day using the 3-hour (i.e., 3-pile) Level A Shutdown Zone. If after the first pile is driven, no marine mammals have been observed in the Level A Shutdown Zone, then the Level A Shutdown Zone will reduce to the 2-hour Zone.

If no marine mammals are observed within the 2-hour Level A Shutdown Zone during the driving of the second pile, then the Level A Shutdown Zone will reduce to the 1-hour Zone. However, if a mammal is observed entering the 3-hour Level A Shutdown Zone during the driving of the first pile, then the 3-hour Level A Shutdown Zone will be monitored for the remainder of pile driving activities for that day. Likewise, if a marine mammal is observed within the 2-hour Shutdown Zone, then the 3-hour Level A Shutdown Zone will be monitored for the remainder of pile driving activities for that day.

The monitoring zone sizes for Level A (shutdown) depend on the number of piles to be driven each day and whether simultaneous pile driving will occur. For this Project, simultaneous pile driving refers to one hammer operating on each Portal Island or two hammers operating on the same island.

#### 4. OBSERVER LOCATIONS

Marine mammal observers will be located on Portal Island Nos. 1 and 2.

## 5. RESPONSE TO OBSERVED MARINE MAMMALS

## 5.1 OBSERVATIONS OF HEALTHY MARINE MAMMALS

If a whale or harbor porpoise is observed entering the Level A or Level B monitoring zones, the observer will directly contact the construction supervisor to indicate that pile driving needs to be stopped immediately. The observer will track the individual until it has left the Level A Shutdown Zone. After the whale or porpoise has been out of the Level A Shutdown Zone and B monitoring zones for 30 minutes, the observer will notify the construction supervisor that pile driving activities may resume.

If a seal or bottlenose dolphin enters the Level A Shutdown Zones, the observer will directly contact the construction supervisor to indicate that pile driving needs to be stopped immediately. The observer(s) tracks the individual until it has left the Level A Shutdown Zone. After the seal or dolphin has been out of the Level A Shutdown Zone for 30 minutes, the observer will notify the construction supervisor that pile driving activities may resume.

If a seal or bottlenose dolphin enters the Level B monitoring zone for in-water activities, the observer will record a take of the species observed. Each individual marine mammal will count once as a take in a 24-hour period. If a seal enters the Level B monitoring zone for in water or in-air pile driving activities the observer will record a take of the species observed. If the seal hauls out it or is recorded hauled out it is not recorded again in the reciprocal environment. The observer(s) will track the individual until it has left the Level B monitoring zone.

All observations and takes of marine mammals will be documented on observation forms and compiled records will be reported to NOAA in accordance with the reporting procedures described in Section 6.

## 5.2 OBSERVATIONS OF INJURED OR DEAD MARINE MAMMALS

If dead or dying marine mammals are observed in the monitoring zones, regardless of known cause, the observer(s) will:

- Record the species type (if known), date, time, and location of the observation,
- Take a photograph of the specimen, and
- Immediately notify NOAA Fisheries.

# 5.3 UNAUTHORIZED EXPOSURES

If an unauthorized exposure occurs (e.g., a marine mammal occurring in a Level A Shutdown Zone or Level B ZOI without an authorized take), the observer(s) will:

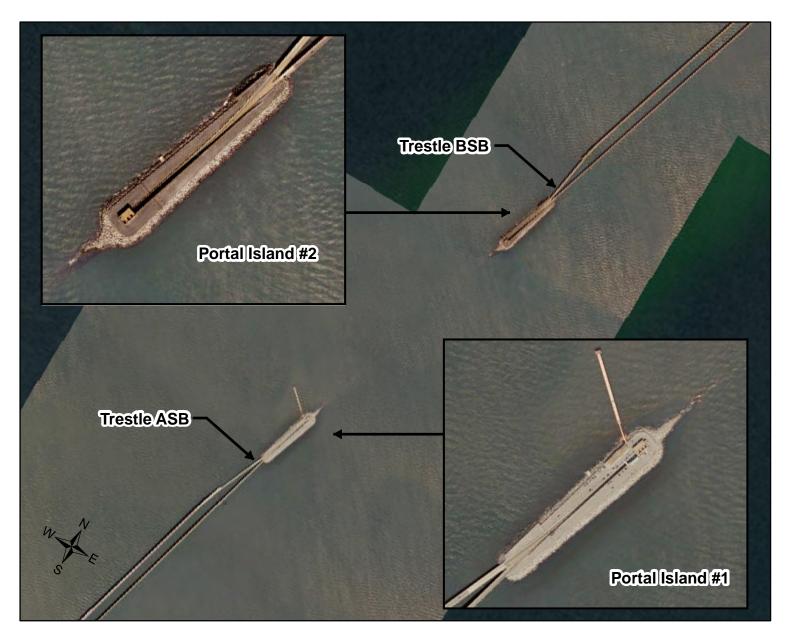
- Record the species type (if known), date, time, and location of the observation,
- Record any behavioral changes that occur during observation,
- Contact the construction manager to cease pile driving activity immediately, and
- Immediately notify NOAA Fisheries.

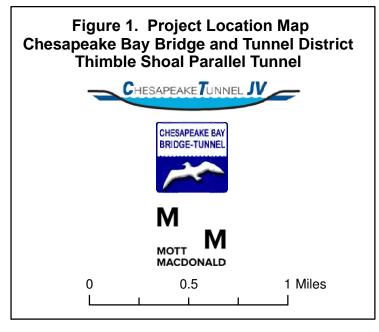
## 6. REPORTING

An annual report will be prepared and distributed to NOAA Fisheries once per calendar year that pile or sheet pile driving occurs. The report will be provided to NOAA Fisheries by December 31 of each year where a report is needed. This annual report will include an executive summary, monitoring methodology, tabulation of marine mammal observations (including number, type, and location of observations), dates and times when monitoring occurred, and pile driving was completed, and dates and times when in-water construction was suspended because of marine mammals.

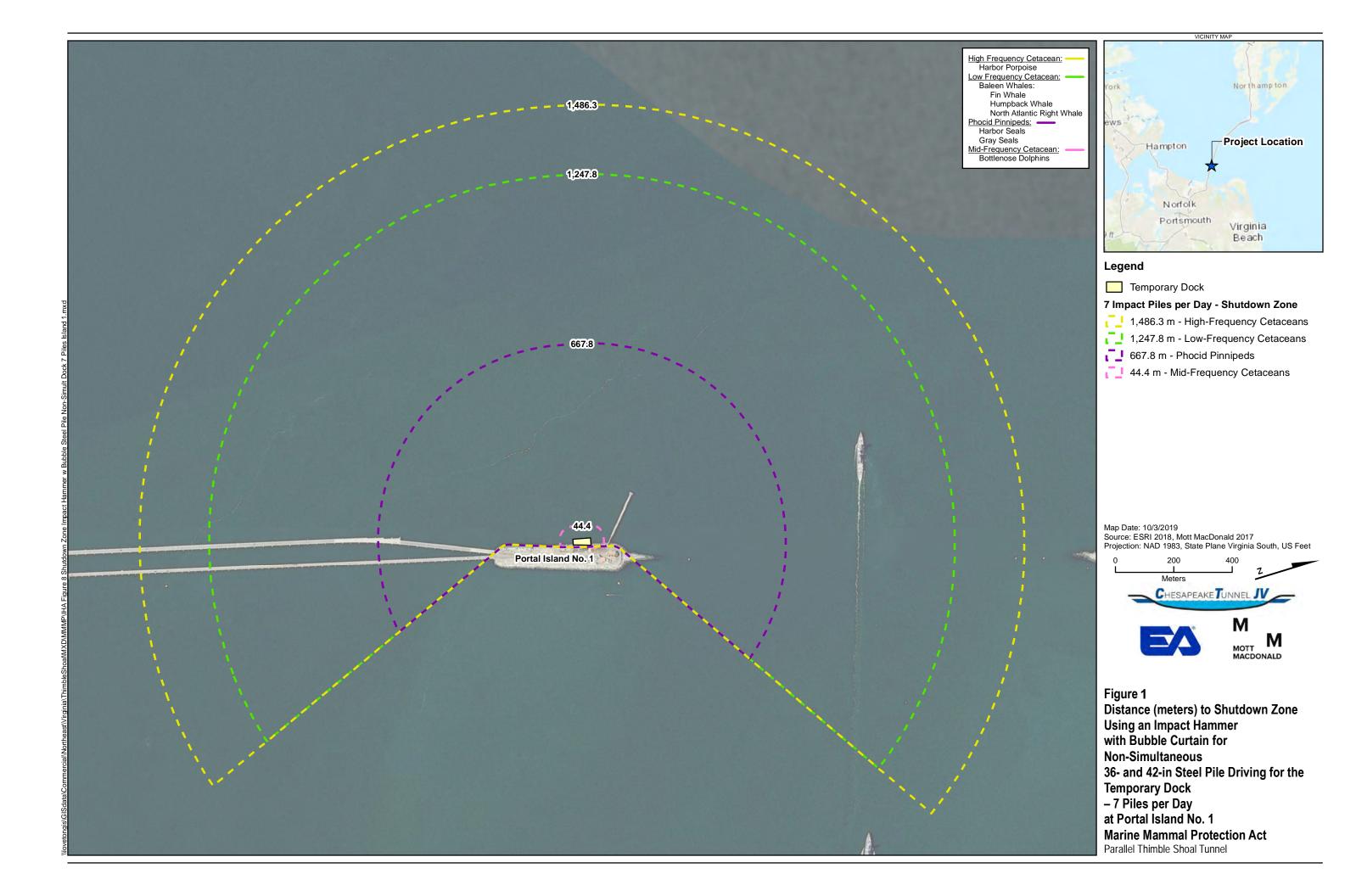
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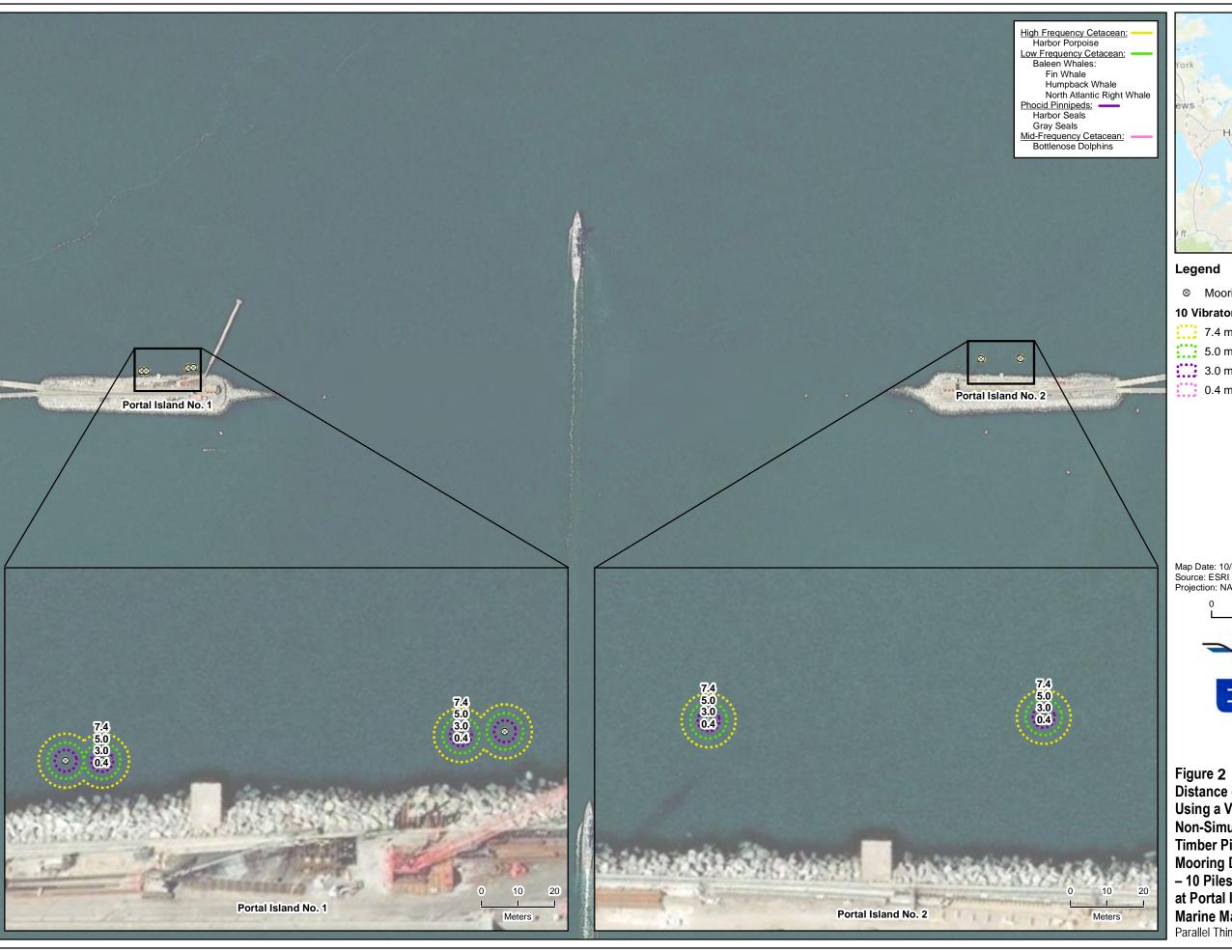
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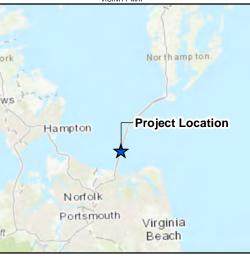












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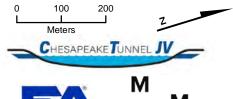
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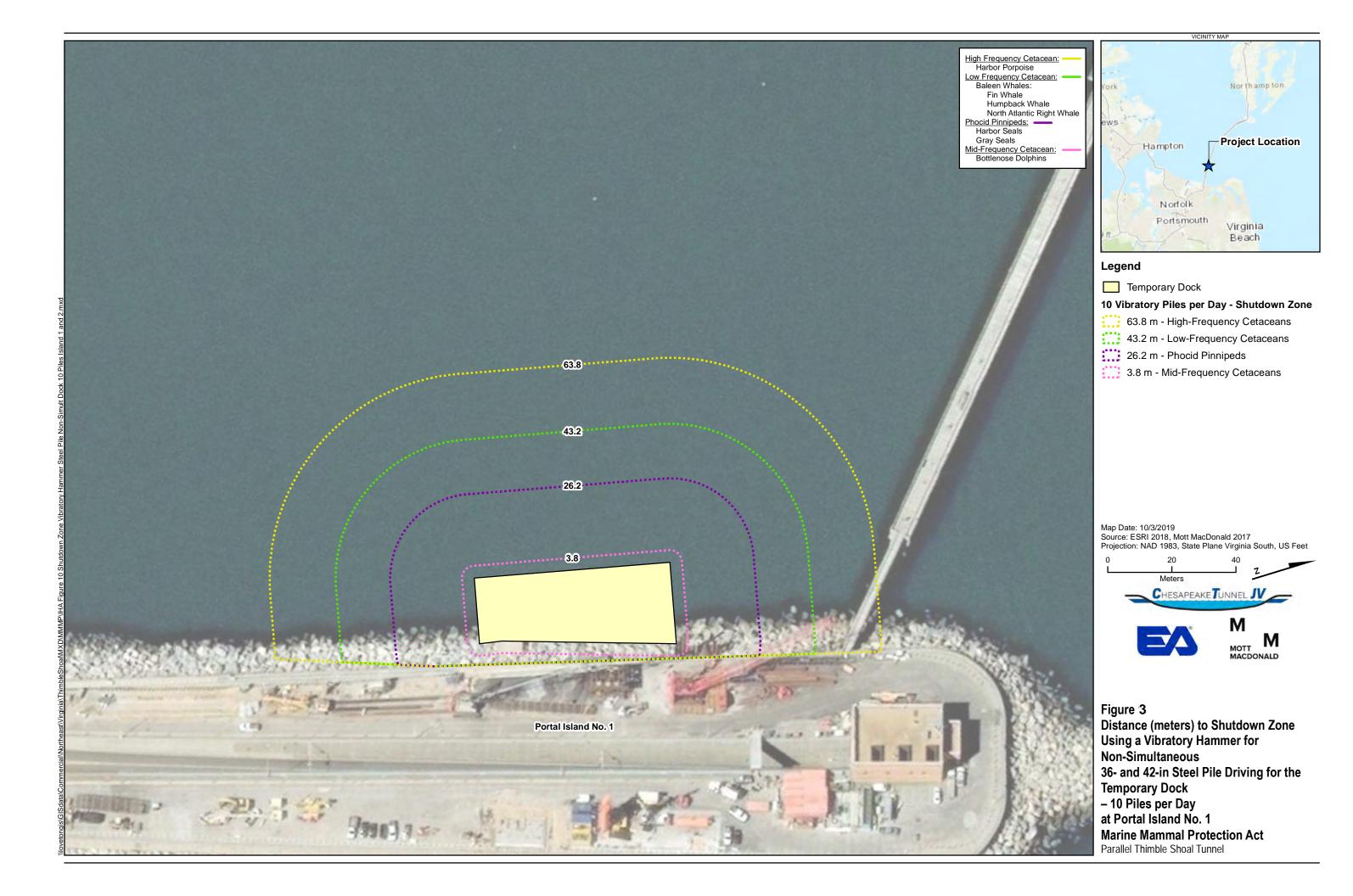


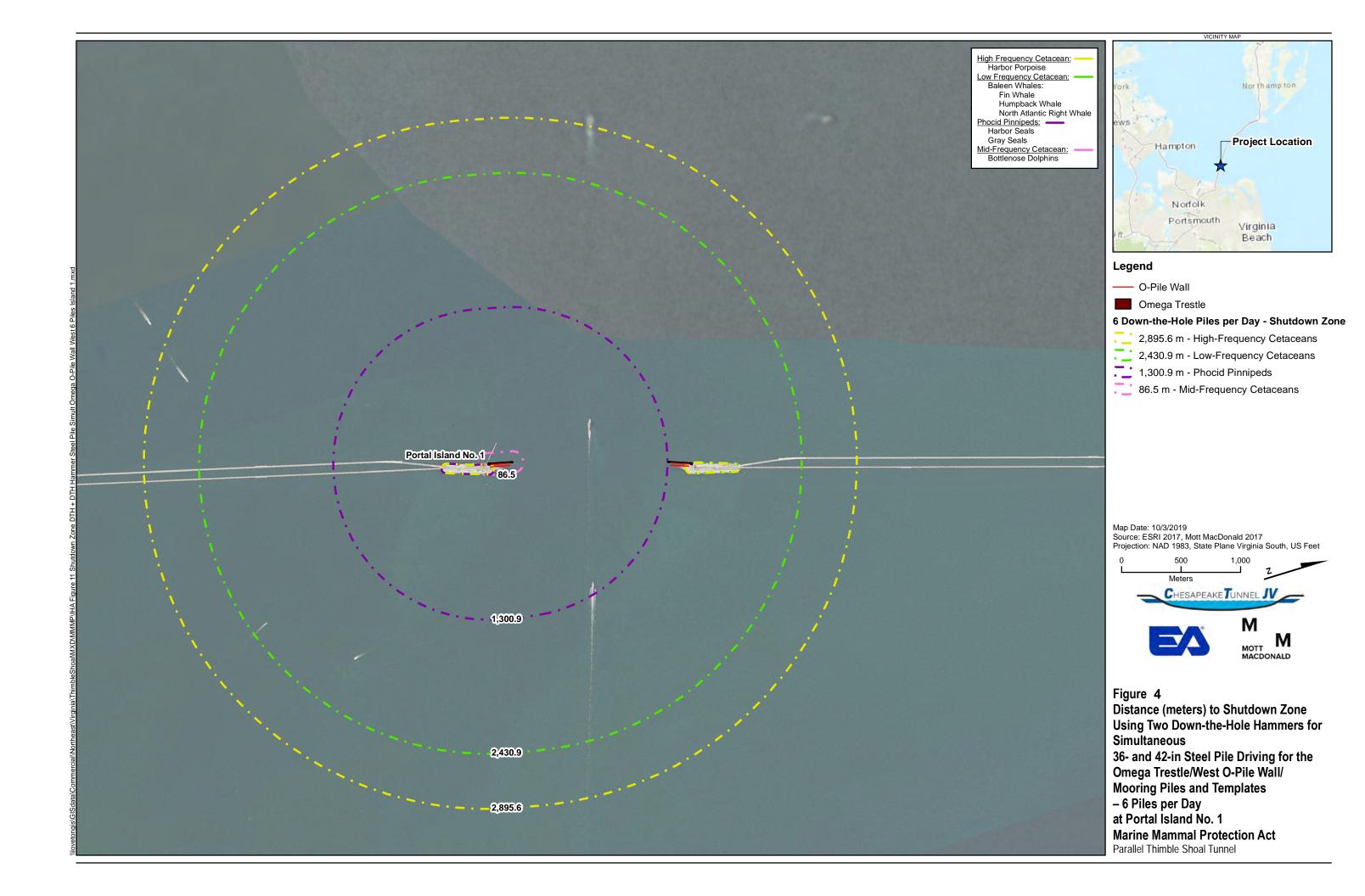


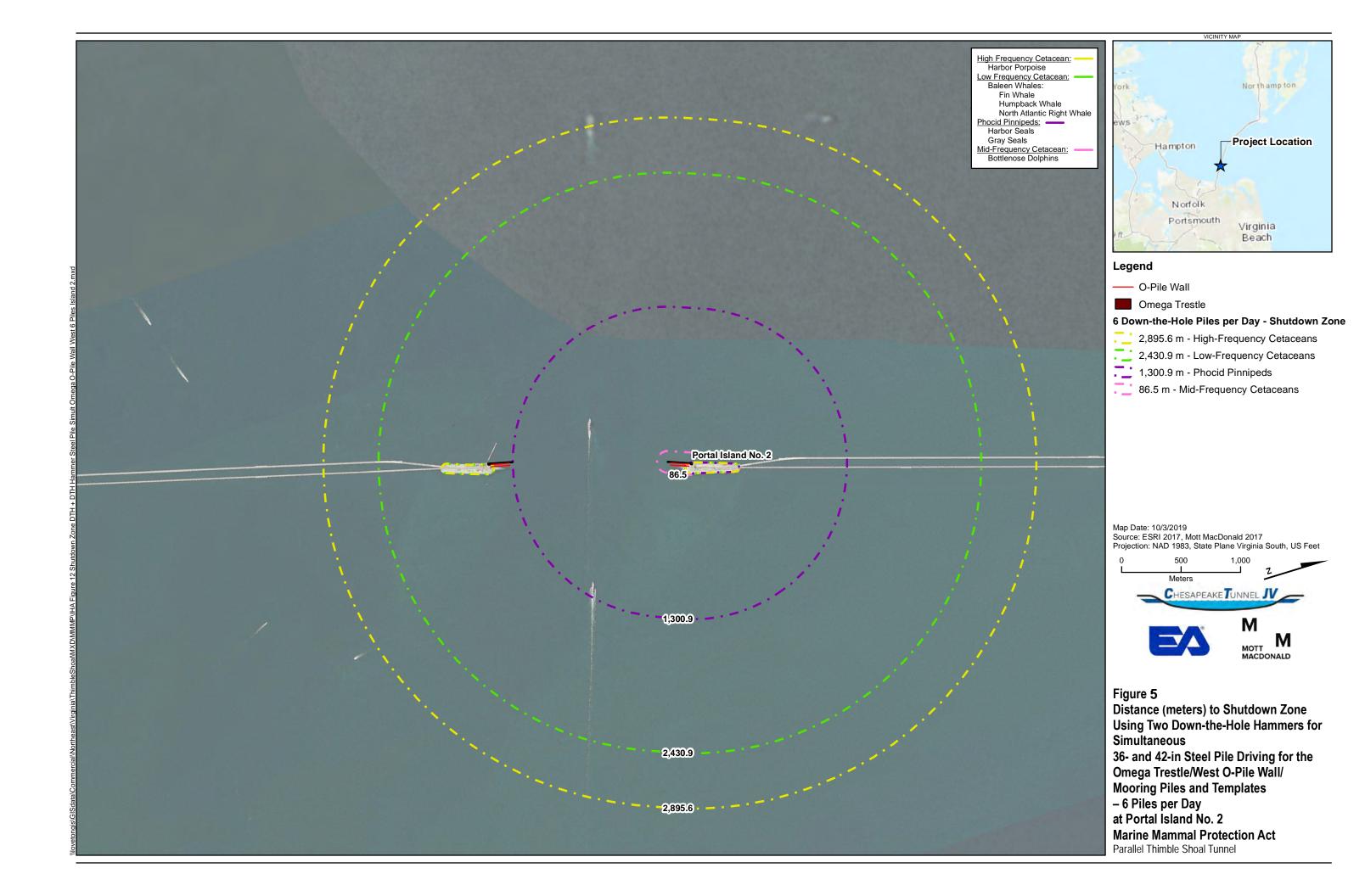


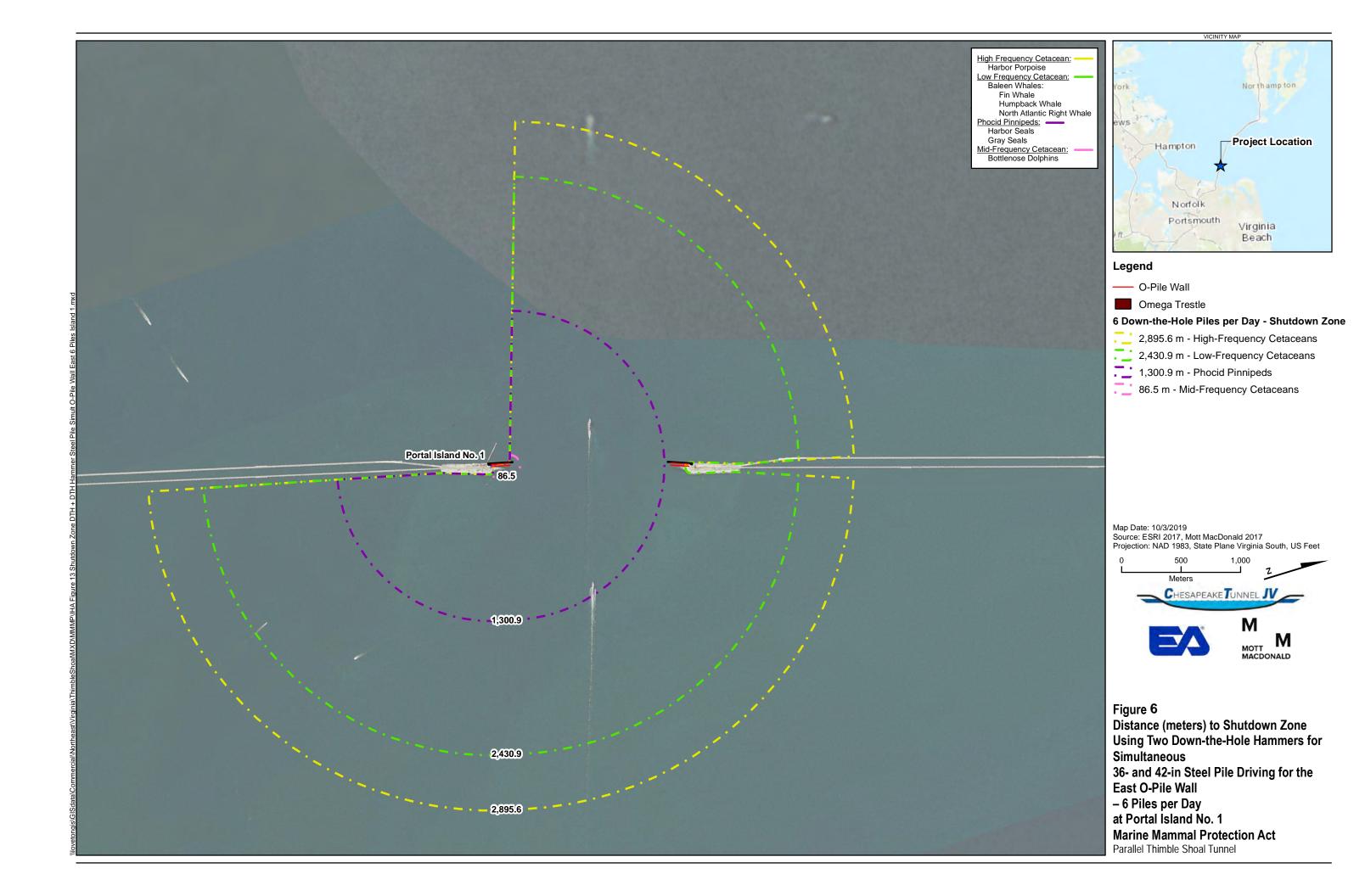
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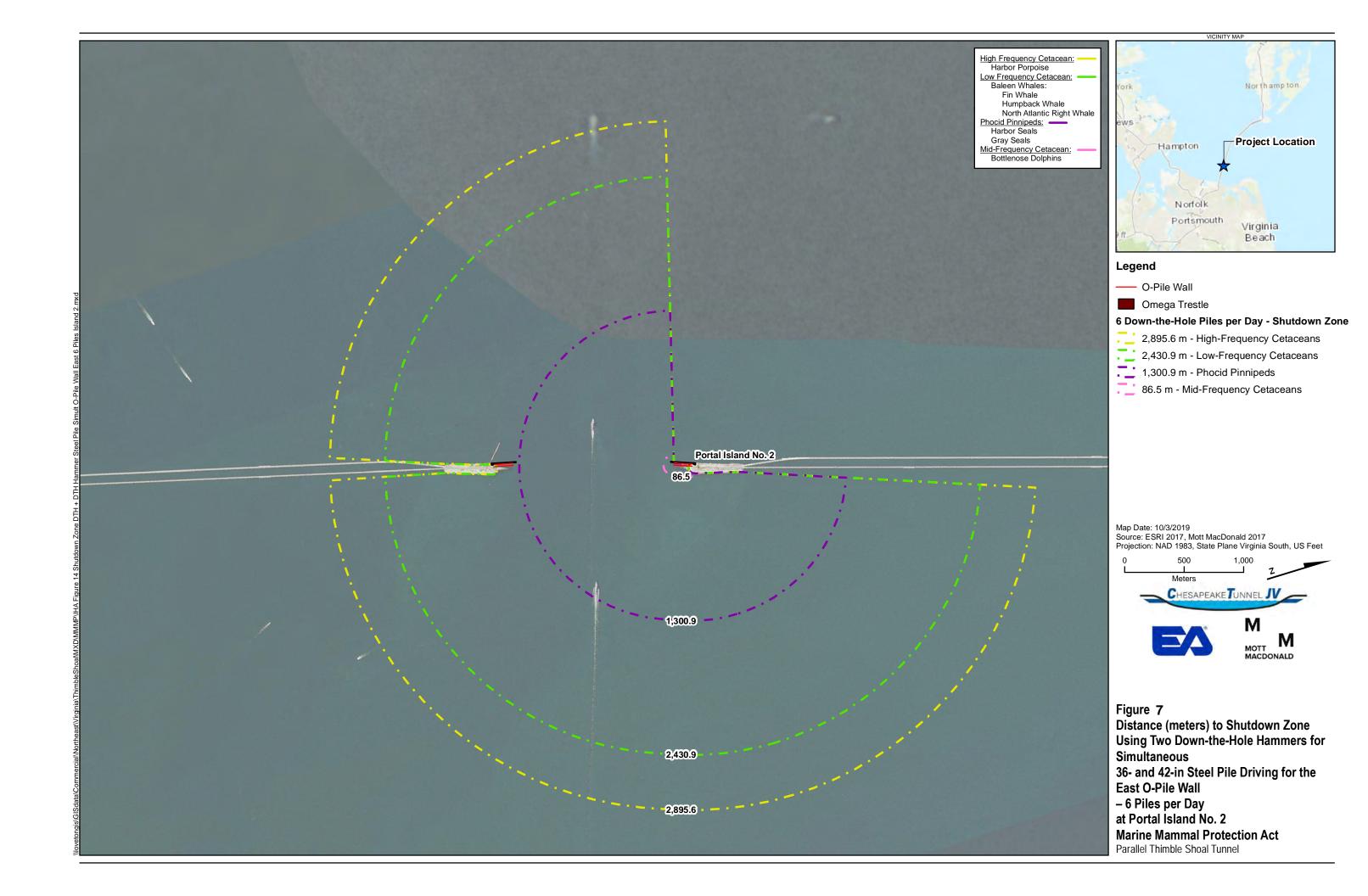
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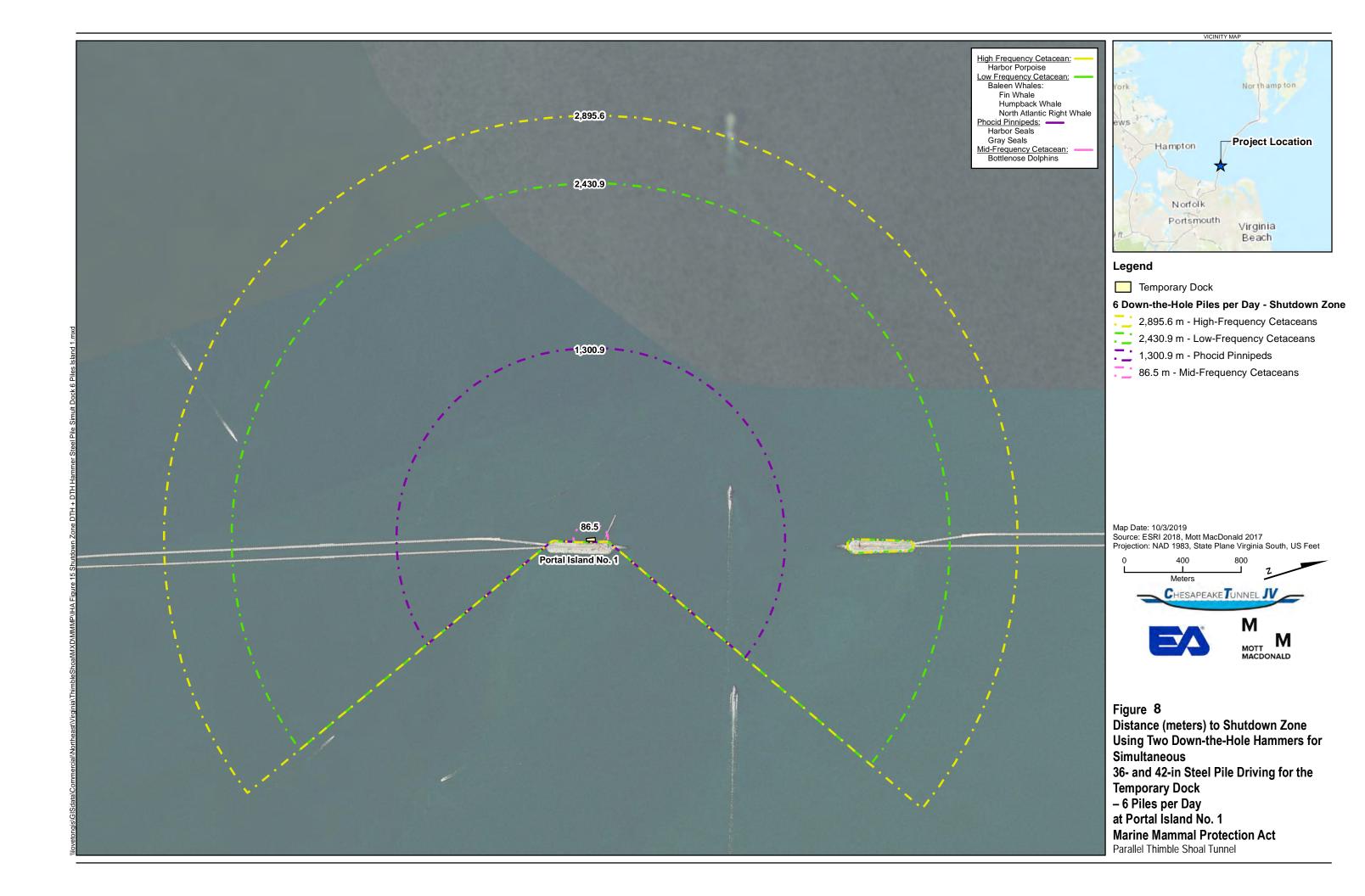


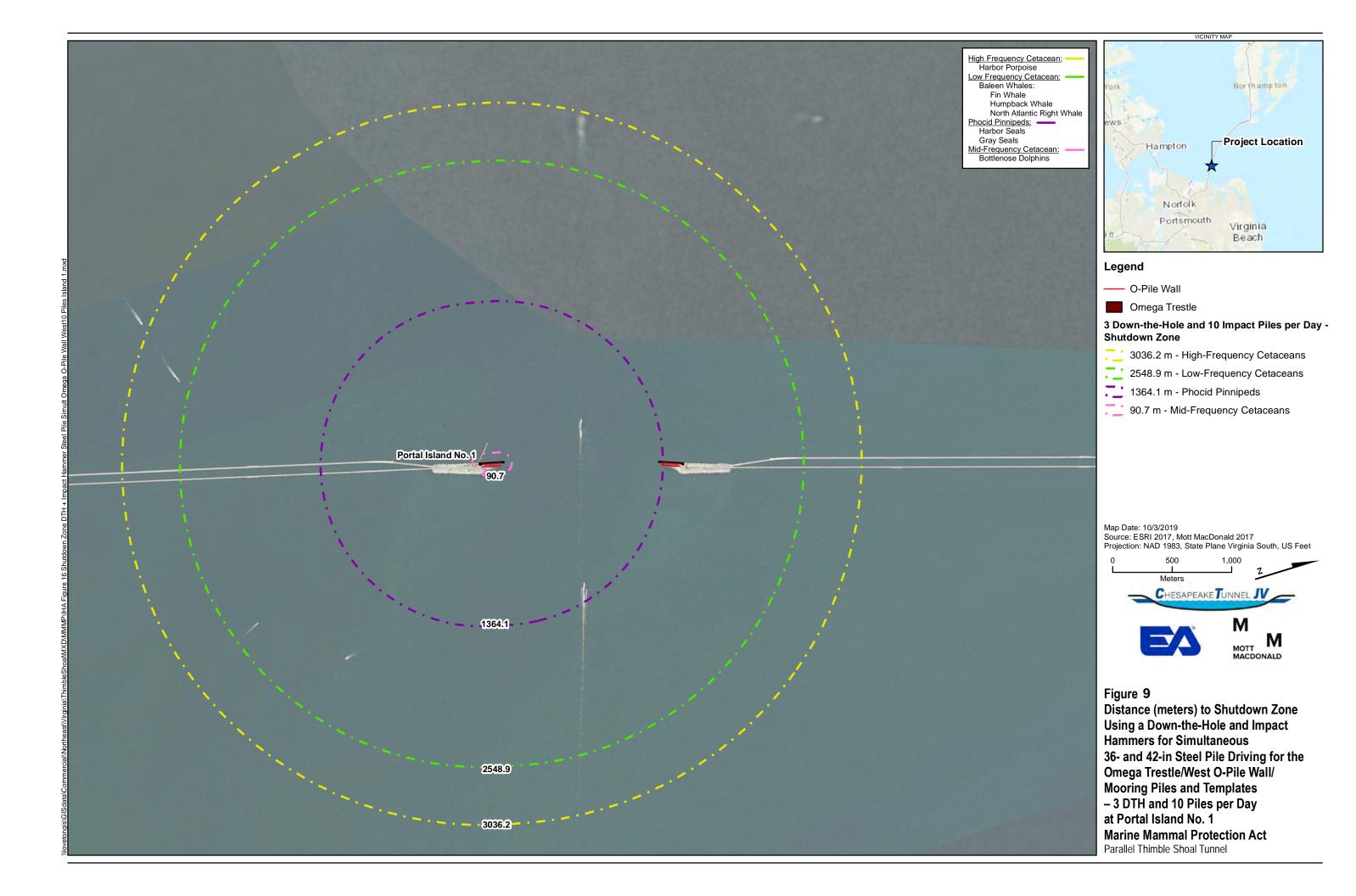


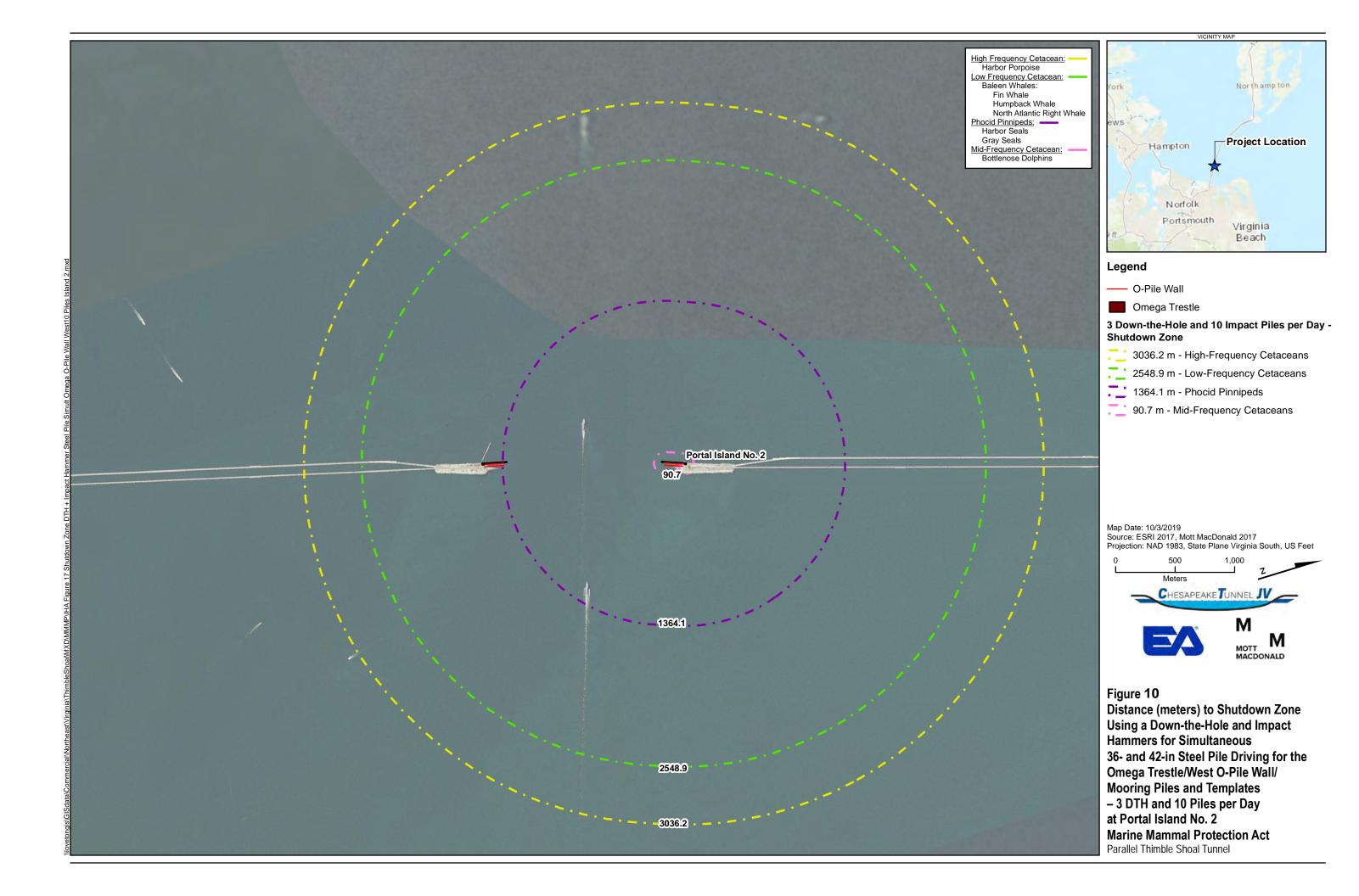


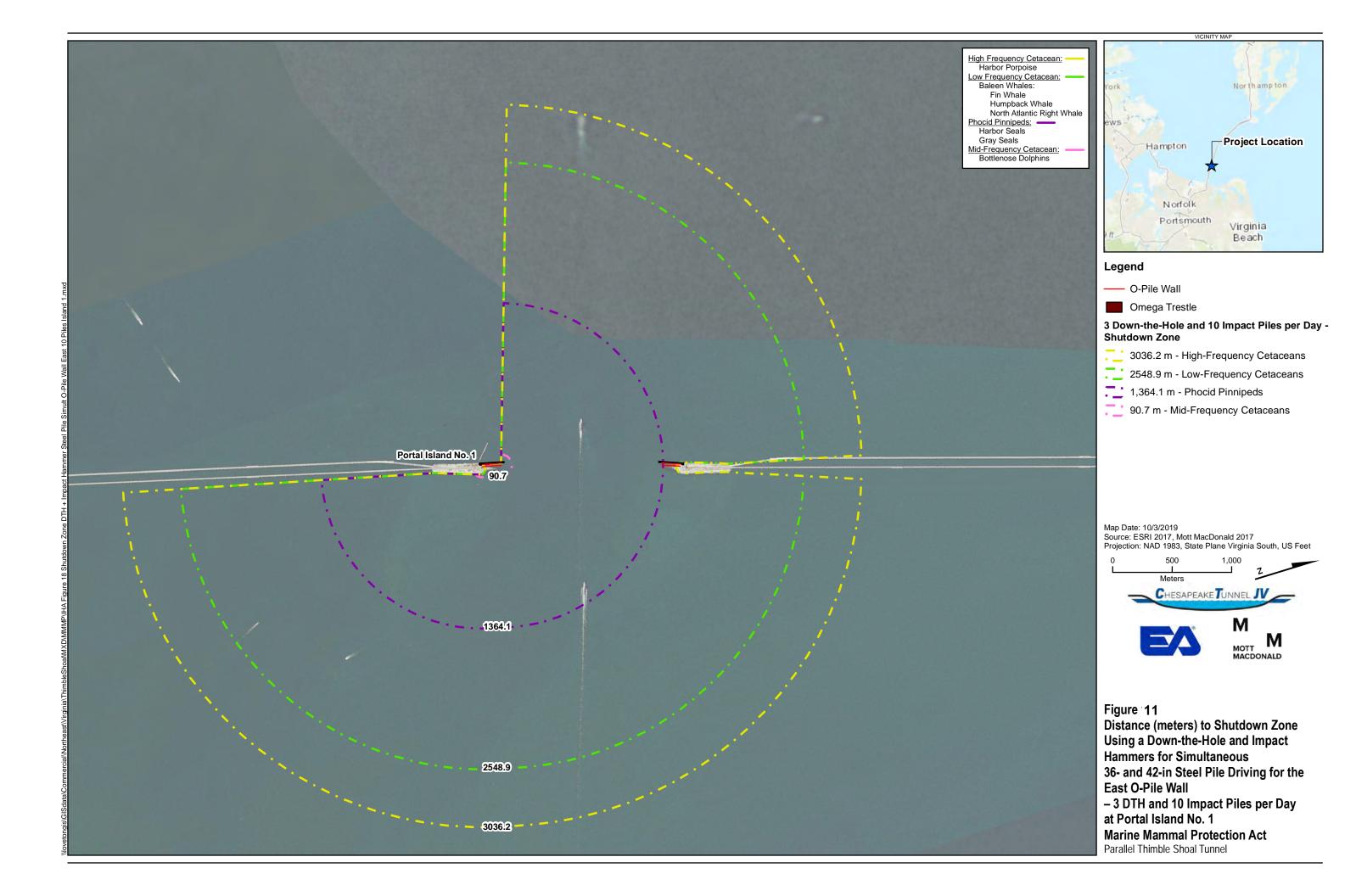


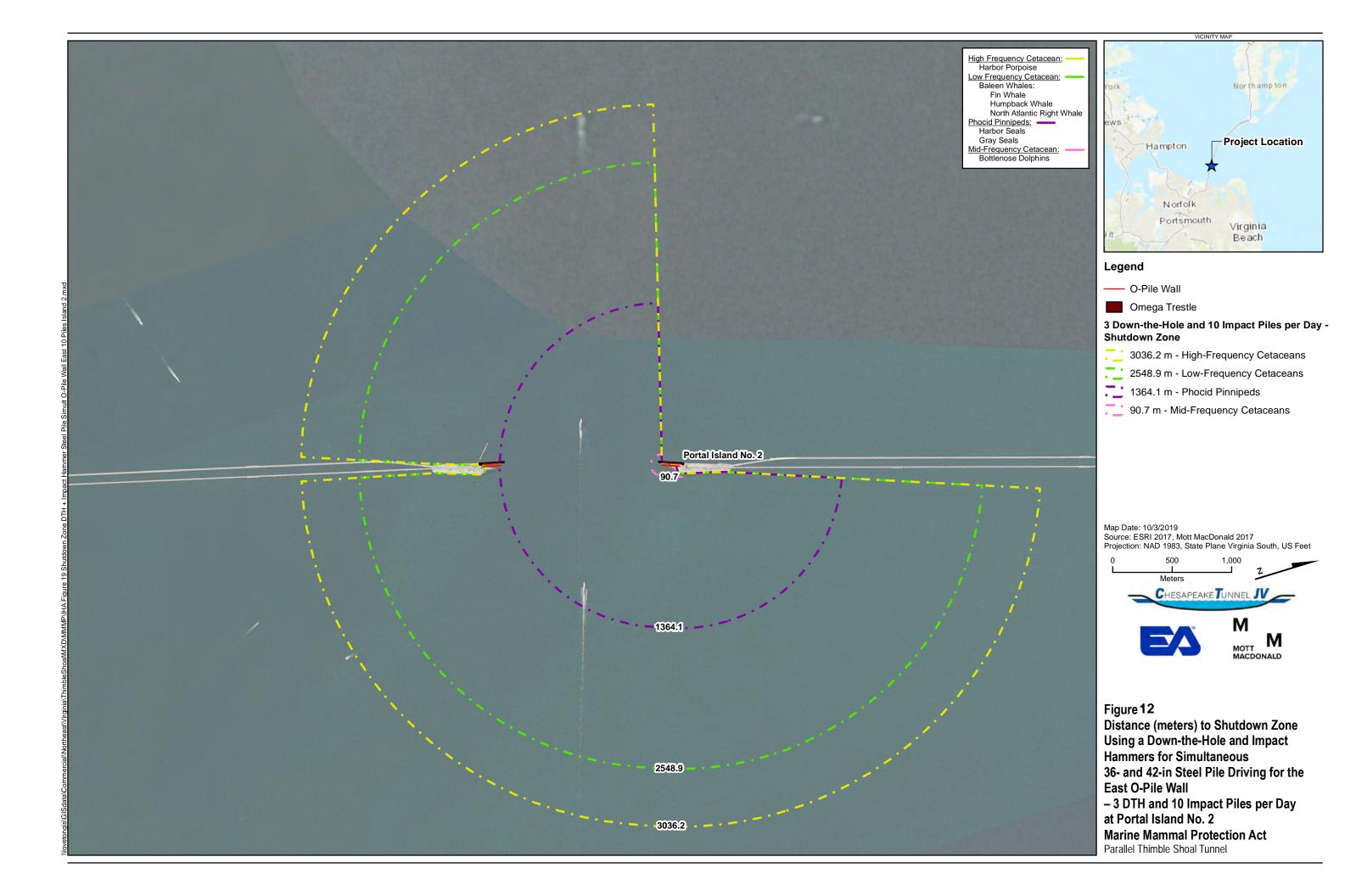


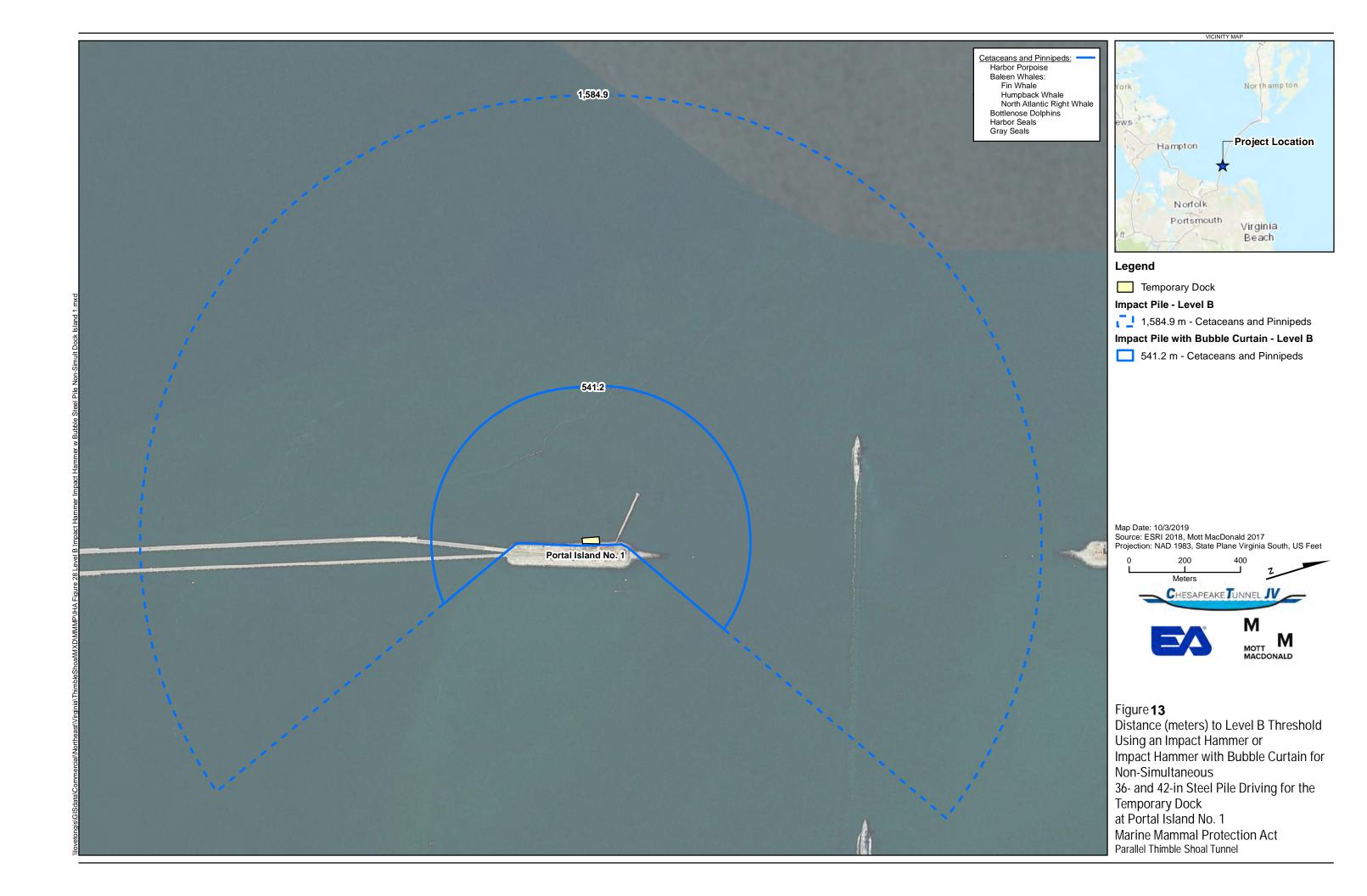


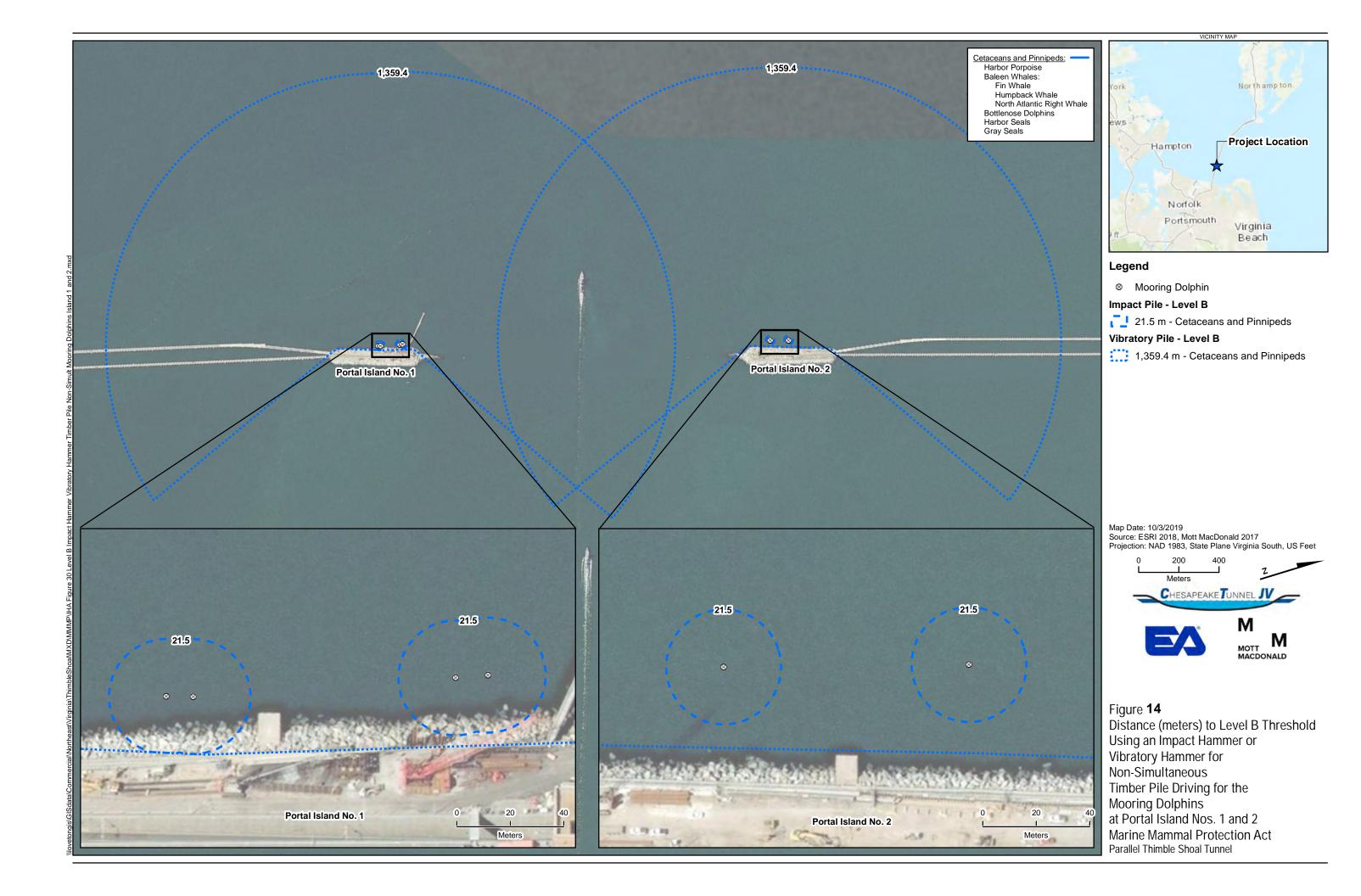


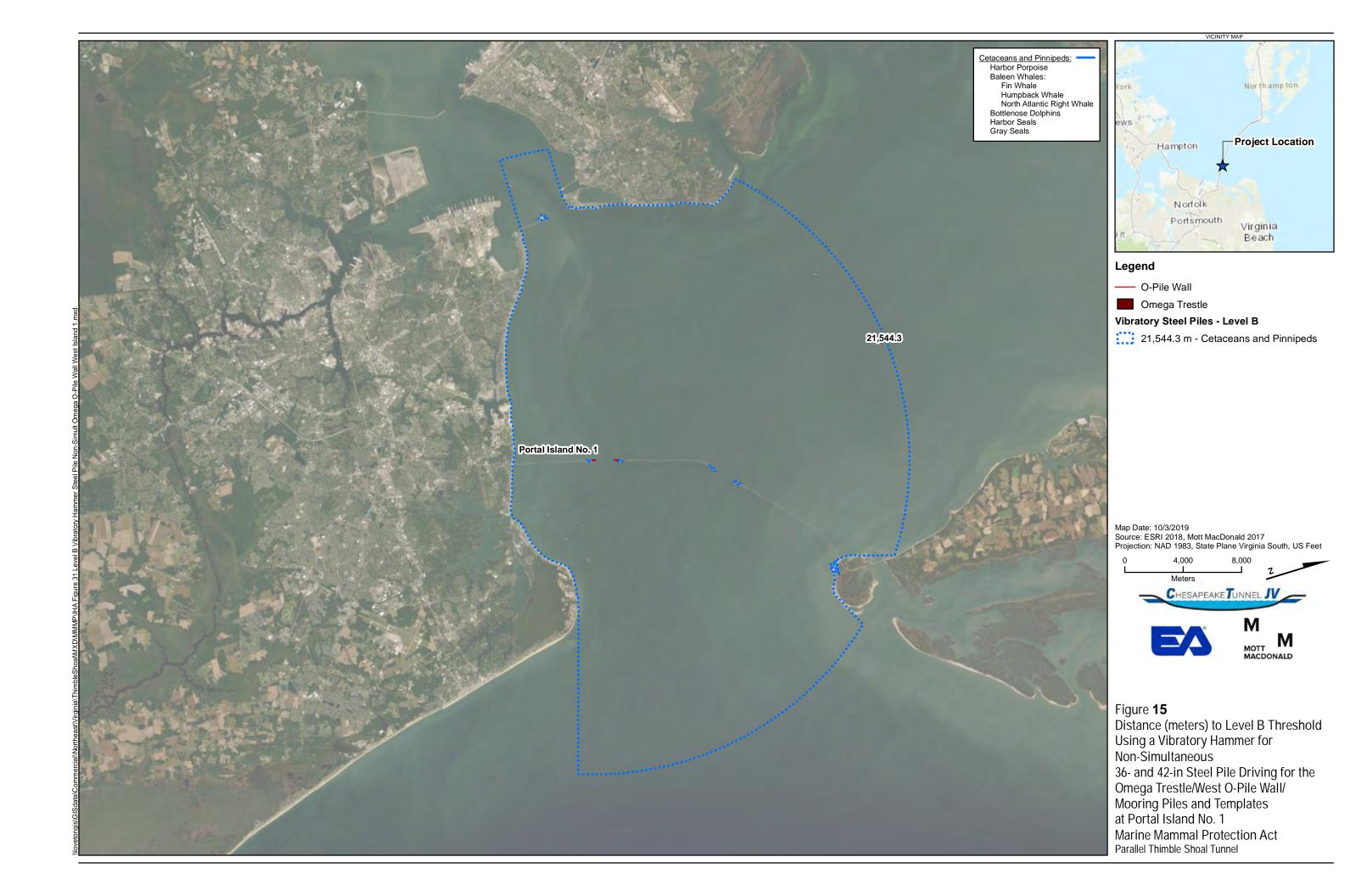






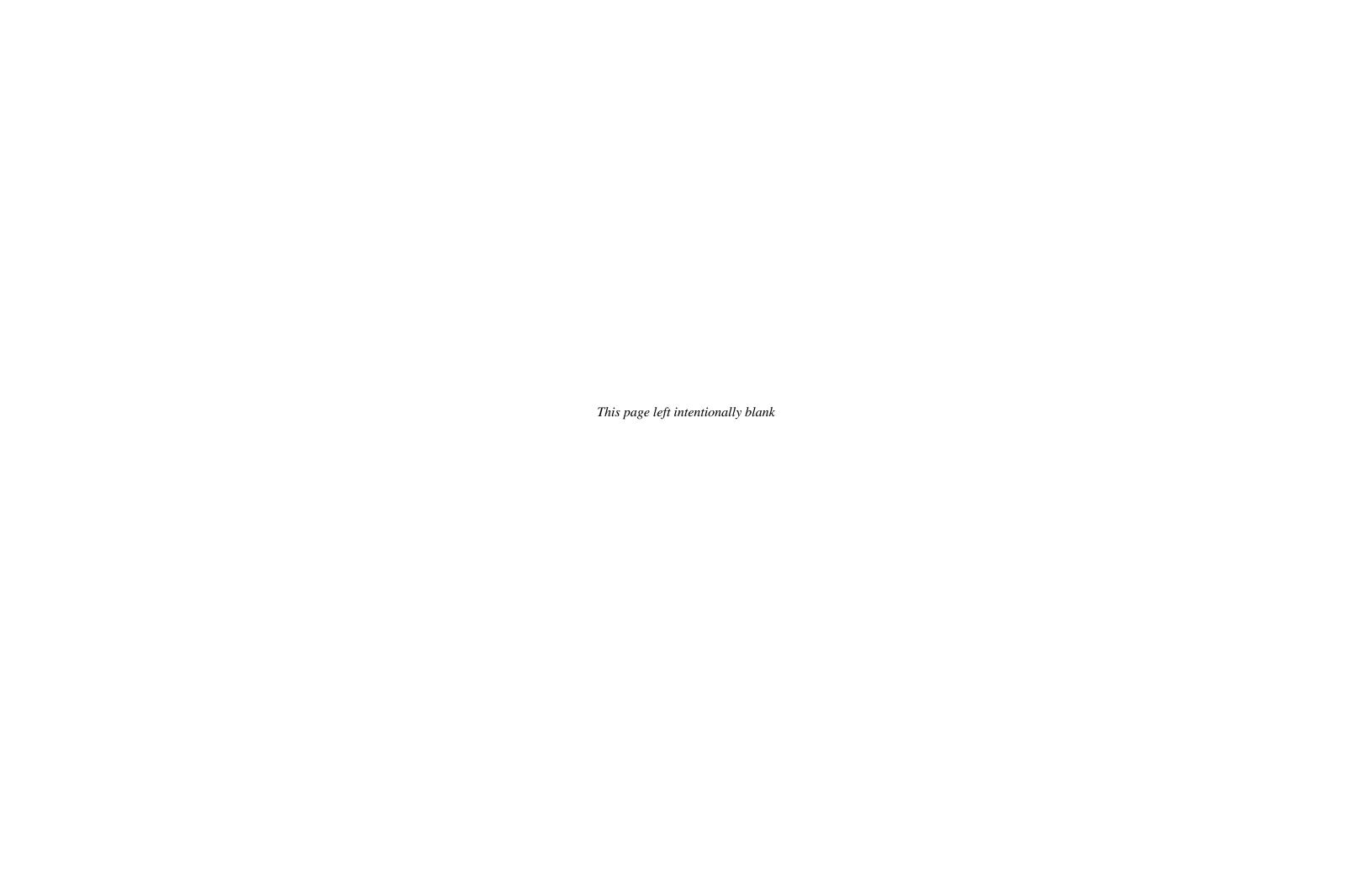












### APPENDIX B-

Daily Marine Mammal Observer Reports (REMSA), Protected Species Sighting & Shut-Down Forms (REMSA) and Master Sightings, Shutdown and Delay Table (AZURA)

# Daily Marine Mammal Observer Report



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# **Daily Observer Log Form**

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# APPENDIX C-

Observed Species Log

Date Observed:	Time	Beaufort Sea State	Swell Height (ft.)	Swell Direction	Visibility	Percent OBS Glare	Weather conditions	Island:	Pile Driving Activity During Observation:	Construction Activity	Pile Size:	Bubble Curtain:	Species Observed:	Quatity of Mammals	No. of Calves	Sex Class	Mammal Behavior	Mammal Distance From Driving Activity (m):	Level A or B Take:	Shutdown:	Reason:
3/9/2021	12:25	1	0.3	w	Good	N/A	Partly Cloudy	2	None	Trestle	N/A	YES	Harbor Seal	Observed:	0	Unkown	Swimming by rocks	150	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
3/9/2021	15:10	1	0.3	w	Good	N/A	Sunny	2	Impact	Trestle	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Harbor Seal	1	0	Unkown	Swimming by rocks	60	А	No	Level A is 535 meters for Impact w/ Bubble Curtain for Seals
3/11/2021	7:25	3	0.3	w	Good	N/A	Partly Cloudy	2	Impact	Trestle	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Harbor Seal	1	0	Unkown	Swimming by rocks	80	A	No	Level A is 535 meters for Impact w/ Bubble Curtain for Seals
3/11/2021	10:02	2	0.3	w	Good	NA.	Partly Cloudy	2	None	Trestle	N/A	YES	Harbor Seal	2	0	Unkown	Milling by rocks	80	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during
6/7/2021	8:05	0	0-3	SW	Excellent	10-25	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	3	0	Unkown	Fast traveling SE of island	850	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/7/2021	13:38	2	0-3	SW	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 18E		NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	20	2	Male	Slow Traveling NW of island	1200	None	No	Level B 201 is 215 meters for DTH
6/8/2021	13:20	1	0-3	SW	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	Impact	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 19 E	36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	4	0	Unkown	Feeding S of Island	750	None	No	Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain
6/10/2021	9:38	1	0-3	SW	Good	<10	Mostly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	25	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling N of	2000	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/16/2021	10:43	1	0-3	SW	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling S of Island	300	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/16/2021	11:24	1	0-3	SW	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Fast Traveling S of Island	150	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/21/2021	8:05	2	0-3	NW	Good	<10	Mostly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Slow raveling E of Island	300	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/21/2021	10:53	1	0-3	NW	Good	<10	Mostly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	25	0	Unkown	Resting S of Island	1250	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/21/2021	13:13	1	0-3	SW	Good	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - 26E	42" Steel	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Fast raveling NE of Island	1000	None	No	Level B 20I is 215 meters for DTH
6/21/2021	14:46	1	0-3	SW	Good	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling E of Island	1000	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/21/2021	18:49	1	0-3	N	Good	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 26E	42" Steel	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Fast traveling NE of Island	700	None	No	Level B 20I is 215 meters for DTH
6/28/2021	9:45	1	0-3	SE	Good	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Feeding NE of Island	600	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/28/2021	11:03	1	0-3	SE	Good	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	8	1	Unkown	Slow Traveling SE of Island	500	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/29/2021	17:42	0	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	7	1	Female	Slow Traveling N of Island	750	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
6/30/2021	11:04	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 34E	36" Steel Pile	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	9	1	Female	Feeding SE of island	550	None	No	Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH
6/30/2021	12:22	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	13	0	Unkown	Feeding SE of Island Slow Traveling NE of	675	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation No pile driving activity taking place during
6/30/2021	17:25	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	9	0	Male	Slow Traveling NE of island Fast Traveling S of	400	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation No pile driving activity taking place during
7/1/2021	9:10	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	13	0	Unkown	Island Fast Traveling S of	950	None	No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/1/2021	13:05	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	2	0	Male	Island	475	None	No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/1/2021	14:29	1	0-3	NE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Loggerhead Turtle	1	0	Unkown	Unkown Slow Traveling SE of	675	None	No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/1/2021	12:25	1	0-3	NE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	15	1	Unkown	Island Fast Traveling E of		None		mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/6/2021	9:10 9:50	1	0-3	N SW	Good	10-25	Sunny	1	None DTH Hammer	No activity during sighting Berm Construction East	N/A 36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	7	0	Unkown	Island Feeding E of Island	650	None None	No No	mammal observation  Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH
7/6/2021	9:56	1	0-3	SW N	Good	10-25	Sunny	1	None None	Wall - Pile 35E No activity during sighting	N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	7	0	Unkown	Fast Traveling E of	650	None	No No	No pile driving activity taking place during
7/6/2021	10:09	1	0-3	w	Good	1025	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Island Milling E of Island	850	None	No.	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/6/2021	10:58	1	0-3	w	Good	10-25	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Berm Construction East	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	8	0	Unkown	Fast Traveling E of	550	None	No	mammal observation Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact
7/6/2021	11:04	2	0-3	NE NE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Wall - Pile 35E Berm Construction East	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	2	0	Male	Island Slow Traveling N of	275	В	Yes	Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact
7/6/2021	11:04	1	0-3	w	Good	25-50	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Wall - Pile 35E Berm Construction East	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Island Slow Traveling N of	750	None	No.	Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact
7/6/2021	11:22	1	0-3	w	Good	25-50	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Wall - Pile 35E Berm Construction East	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Island Slow Traveling E of	750	None	No	Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact
7/6/2021	12:03	1	0-3	w	Good	25-50	Sunny	1	None	Wall - Pile 35E No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	9	0	Unkown	Island Slow Traveling E of Island	275	None	No	Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain  No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/6/2021	15:05	1	0-3	w	Good	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	1	Unkown	Feeding NE of Island	750	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during
7/6/2021	15:40	1	0-3	N	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 36E	36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	2	Female	Slow Traveling NW of island	350	None	No	mammal observation  Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH
7/6/2021	15:54	1	0-3	w	Good	<10	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 36E	36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	6	0	Unkown	Milling E of Island	550	None	No	Level B 201 is 215 meters for DTH
7/6/2021	17:01	1	0-3	w	Good	<10	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 36E	N/A	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Fast Traveling N of Island	800	None	No	Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain
7/6/2021	17:04	1	0-3	w	Good	<10	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 36E	N/A	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Feeding NE of Island	450	В	No	Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain
7/7/2021	9:41	1	0-3	E	Good	25-50	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	10	0	Unkown	Fast Traveling E of Island	500	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/7/2021	10:10	1	0-3	w	Good	25-50	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling NE of island	550	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/7/2021	10:38	1	0-3	w	Good	10-25	Sunny	1	DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East Wall - Pile 37E	36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	6	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling NE of island	550	None	No	Level B 20I is 215 meters for DTH
7/9/2021	11:14	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	3	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling W of Island	650	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/12/2021	13:26	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Male	Fast traveling SE of island	750	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/12/2021	14:54	1	0-3	s	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	13	0	Male	Feeding SE of Island	1050	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
712/2021	13:26	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Male	Slow Traveling S of Island	450	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation
7/13/2021	9:15	1	0-3	SW	Excellent	10-25	Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting Berm Construction East	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	8	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling SE of Island Slow Traveling E of	1100	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation Level B ZOI is 545 meters for Impact
7/13/2021	10:12	1	0-3	SW	Excellent	<10	Sunny	1	Impact Hammer	Wall	36" Steel Pipe Pile	YES	Bottlenose Dolphin	8	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling E of Island Slow Traveling W of	700	None	No	Hammer w/ Bubble Curtain
7/13/2021	12:26	1	0-3	SE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	16	0	Unkown	Island Slow Traveling E of	1725	None	No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation No pile driving activity taking place during
7/13/2021	14:25	1	0-3	S	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	2	0	Male	Island	600	None	No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/13/2021	19:46 13:03	1	0-3	SE SE	Excellent	<10	Mostly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	7	0	Unkown	Feeding SW of island Fast Traveling W of	1550 1745	None None	No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/14/2021	13:03		0-3	SE SE	Excellent	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin  Bottlenose Dolphin	7	0	Unkown	island	1745		No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/20/2021		1	0-3			<10	Mostly Cloudy		None	No activity during sighting					0		Feeding S of Island Slow traveling		None		mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/20/2021	10:29	2	0-3	E SE	Good	<10	Mostly Cloudy  Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	18	0	Unkown	Slow Traveling S of	400	None	No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/23/2021	10:54 8:27	1	0-3	SE SE	Excellent	<10 25-50	Partly Cloudy Sunny	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin  Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Male	Island Slow raveling E of	1250 775	None None	No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/24/2021	8:27 12:52	1	0-3	SE SE	Good	25-50 <10	Sunny Mostly Cloudy	1	None DTH Hammer	Berm Construction East	N/A 36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin  Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	Island Slow traveling	775 525	None	No No	mammal observation  Level B 20I is 215 meters for DTH
7/24/2021	12:52	0	0-3	SE SE	Excellent	<10	Mostly Cloudy Mostly Cloudy	1	DTH Hammer None	Wall - Pile 43E No activity during sighting	36" Steel Pipe Pile	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin  Bottlenose Dolphin	5	0	Unkown	between islands Slow Traveling NE of	775	None	No No	Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/26/2021	7:24	0	0-3	NE NE	Good	10-25	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	8	0	Unkown	Island Fast Traveling N of	825	None	No No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
7/27/2021	7:46	0	0-3	SE	Good	<10	Partly Cloudy	1	None	No activity during sighting	N/A	NO NO	Bottlenose Dolphin	,	0	Unkown	Island Feeding S of Island	550	None	No	mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during
1/2//2021	7.40		V-5	3E	G000	-10	, artry cloudy	-	None	accord during signting	N/M	140	Source Se Dolphill	2		GIADWII	. cecuring of this latest	230	None	AU	mammal observation

7/72/2021   11:11   0   0.3   56   Excelent   <10   Partly Cloudy   1   None   No activity during sighting   N/A   NO   Bottlenose Dolphin   10   0	Unkown  Unkown  Female  Unkown  Unkown  Unkown  Unkown  Unkown  Unkown  Unkown  Female	Milling of orlaind 300 Sove Travelling 64 Sove Travelling 64 Seeding Sci Olishod 750 Feet Travelling 64 Seeding Sci Olishod 157 Feet Travelling 65 Socialising 5 of Island 1575 Feet Travelling 65 Seeding 80 of Island 615 Feeting 80 of Island 615 Feeting 80 of Island 615 Seeding 5 of Island 860 Feet Travelling 5 of Island 860	None None None None None None None None	No No No No No No No No	mammal observation No pol et órriuga ettivit staking place during mammal observation No pol et órriuga ettivit staking place during mammal observation No pol et órriuga ettivit staking place during mammal observation No pol et órriuga ettivit staking place during mammal observation No pol et órriuga ettivit staking place during mammal observation Level 8 201 is 215 meters for DTH No pile órriung extivity taking place during
1/28/2021   13-54   1   0-3   55   Good   -10   Partly Cloudy   1   OTH Hammer   Bern Construction East   Wall - Place 555   36 Seed Pipe Pile   NO   Bottlemose Dolphin   8   1	Female Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Male Unkown	Feeding SE of Island   750	None None None None	No No No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation  Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH  No pile driving activity taking place during
11.44   1   0.3   5E   Good   -10   Partly Cloudy   1   DTH Hammer   Bern Centraction East   Model   1.65   1.0	Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Male Unkown	Fast Traveling 1015 Settlemen blands 1575 Fast Traveling 5 of 1516 Fast	None None None	No No No	No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation  No pile driving activity taking place during mammal observation  Level B 201 is 215 meters for DTH  No pile driving activity taking place during
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8/1/2021   14:31   2   0.3   5E   Excelent   -10   Partly Cloudy   1   OTH Hummer   Rem Continuction East   Wall - Reg. 5E   36 Steel Pipe Pile   NO   Bottlenoe Dolphin   9   0	Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Unkown Male Unkown	Fast Traveling S of Island 615 Feeding SW of Island 415 Fast Traveling S of Island 515 Feeding S of Island 860 Feeding S of Island 860 Fast Traveling S of Island 315	None None None	No	Level B ZOI is 215 meters for DTH  No pile driving activity taking place during
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## APPENDIX D-

Protected Species Observer's Credentials

### AMY WHITT, M.E.M.

# Protected Species Biologist Education

MEM (Master of Environmental Management), Duke University, 2004 BS, Biology, Lyon College, 2002

#### Training/Certifications

NOAA-Approved Protected Species Observer

Certified BOEM Protected Species Observer for Seismic Operations

ESA and MMPA Compliance Training (National Marine Fisheries Service)

Marine Mammal Rescue and Rehabilitation Certification

Water Survival/HUET/METS Certification

**NOAA Cold Water Survival Training** 

OSHA 40-hour HAZWOPER Certification

NOAA NRDA Data Management Training

Project Management Professional (PMP)®

PADI Oxygen Provider

PADI NITROX Diver Certification

NAUI Advanced Rescue SCUBA Diver Certification

PADI Advanced Open Water SCUBA Diver Certification

PADI Open Water Certification

American Red Cross certified, Workplace Training: Adult CPR with AED

American Red Cross certified, First Aid Basics

Clear Writing Training for NEPA Specialists (The Shipley Group)

**Environmental Education** 

#### **Qualifications**

Ms. Whitt is a senior marine biologist with over 15 years of professional experience in coastal environmental management, marine conservation and education, and ocean policy. She specializes in protected species biology, management, and conservation with an emphasis on marine mammals and sea turtles. She is a NOAA-approved observer and a BOEM-certified observer for seismic operations and has conducted over 80 marine species research and environmental compliance projects across the globe for a variety of clients including NOAA, the U.S. Navy, the oil and gas industry, and the offshore renewable energy industry.

Ms. Whitt is a published scientist with research expertise in shipboard and aerial survey design and implementation, marine species identification, marine protected species monitoring, data management and analysis, abundance/density modeling, behavioral assessments, photo-identification studies, human impact studies, and Natural Resource Damage Assessments (NRDA). She has spent over 4 years conducting shipboard surveys of marine mammals/sea turtles (560+ days at sea) and over 180 flight hours conducting marine mammal/sea turtle aerial surveys. Ms. Whitt is also an environmental compliance specialist with expertise in preparing environmental impact assessments. biological assessments, take/harassment authorizations, and monitoring/mitigation plans in compliance with international and federal policies including, but not limited to, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Endangered Species Act (ESA), and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA).

#### Selected Relevant Experience

French Guiana Marine Fauna Surveys & Monitoring, Azura Consulting LLC, Cohabys-Adera, Creocean, and Total E&P -Marine Fauna Observer, 2018-2019. Azura joined the Cohabys - Adera team for Creocean to conduct marine mammal surveys off French Guiana prior to and during oil and gas drilling operations in Total-operated blocks in the French Guiana EEZ. Two types of surveys were conducted. The large-scale survey aimed to collect data on the presence and distribution of marine mammals, as well as sea turtles and seabirds, up to 40 km around the drill site. During the small-scale survey, scientists visually monitored for marine mammals and sea turtles up to 4 km around the drill site during drilling operations. Scientists also utilized a passive acoustic monitoring system (Sercel's OuietSeaTM system) to acoustically monitor for marine mammals in real-time. Ms. Whitt served as one of the three observers on the large-scale survey aboard the sailboat (the Guyavoile) and recorded sightings of marine mammals, seabirds,

#### Certification

Introduction to Distance Sampling Workshop--Centre for Research into Ecological and Environmental Modeling (CREEM), St. Andrews University, Scotland

Advanced Distance Sampling/Surface Modeling Workshop (CREEM), St. Andrews University, Scotland

#### **Publications/Presentations**

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Senegal Environmental Baseline Study, Azura Consulting LLC, Creocean, and Total E&P – Lead Marine Fauna Observer, 2018. Azura's marine scientists studied the marine megafauna in deep waters off Senegal for Creocean as part of an Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) for Total Exploration and Production (E&P). The goal of this EBS was to characterize the habitat and biodiversity of an area of oil and gas exploration off Senegal. The biological and physio-chemical characteristics of the sediment and seawater were assessed during offshore surveys. During these surveys, Azura recorded opportunistic sightings of marine mammal, sea turtle, seabird, and fish species during daytime visual observations. Ms. Whitt served as the lead visual observer and was responsible for coordinating team members, reviewing all data, analyzing sightings data, and preparing the survey report.

Mauritania Environmental Baseline Study, Azura Consulting LLC, Creocean, and Total E&P - Lead Marine Fauna **Observer**, **2018**. Azura's marine scientists studied the marine megafauna in deep waters off Mauritania for Creocean as part of an EBS for Total E&P. The goal of this EBS was to characterize the habitat and biodiversity of an area of oil and gas exploration The biological physio-chemical Mauritania. and characteristics of the sediment and seawater were assessed during offshore surveys. During these surveys, Azura recorded opportunistic sightings of marine mammal, sea turtle, seabird, and fish species during daytime visual observations. We also conducted passive acoustic monitoring at night to record vocalizing marine mammals. Ms. Whitt served as the lead visual observer and was responsible for coordinating team members, reviewing all data, analyzing sightings data, and preparing the survey report.

Angola Environmental Baseline Study, Azura Consulting LLC, Creocean, and Total E&P Angola - Lead Marine Fauna **Observer**, **2018**. Azura's marine scientists studied the marine megafauna in deep waters off Angola for Creocean as part of an EBS for Total E&P Angola. The goal of this EBS was to characterize the habitat and biodiversity of an area of oil and gas exploration 400 km northwest of Luanda, Angola. The biological and physio-chemical characteristics of the sediment and seawater were assessed during offshore surveys. During these surveys, Azura recorded opportunistic sightings of marine mammal, sea turtle, seabird, and fish species during daytime visual observations. We also conducted passive acoustic monitoring at night to record vocalizing marine mammals. Ms. Whitt served as the lead visual observer and was responsible for coordinating team members, reviewing all data, analyzing sightings data, and preparing the survey report.

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LADC-GEMM Survey, Azura Consulting LLC and University of Louisiana at Lafayette \_ Lead Marine Observer/Identification Specialist, 2017. The Littoral Acoustic Demonstration Center-Gulf Ecological Monitoring and Modeling (LADC-GEMM) is a consortium of scientists who have been studying marine mammal acoustics and ambient noise in the Gulf of Mexico since 2001. LADC-GEMM conducted this visual and acoustics shipboard survey to quantify short-term and long-term changes in baseline ambient noise levels and marine mammal distribution in the Mississippi Canyon region of the northern Gulf of Mexico near where the Deepwater Horizon oil spill incident occurred in 2010. Azura provided the big eye equipment and lead the visual observations for the survey. Ms. Whitt served as the lead visual observer and the marine mammal identification expert and trained observers in the use of the big eyes and marine mammal survey methods. She managed the visual observation schedule, crew, and data input verification during the cruise. When possible, she confirmed all species identifications recorded. Amy also contributed to the cruise technical report and worked with the LADC-GEMM data manager to ensure accurate marine mammal sighting recordings and to submit data to the GRIIDC database. She provided input to improve accuracy of acoustic marine mammal abundance studies in the northern Gulf of Mexico.

Big Eye Testing for Full Ship Shock Trials (FSST), BMT Designers and Planners Inc. and NAVSEA - Protected **Species Specialist, 2017.** During the LADC-GEMM Survey, Ms. Whitt acquired, installed, and tested U.S. Navy big eye equipment so that the equipment could be thoroughly tested prior to use in the monitoring of protected species (e.g., marine mammals, sea turtles) during the Navy's future planned FSST. During the survey, she documented any issues with the equipment and noted recommendations for improvements. After completion of the surveys, she prepared a detailed report of these issues and recommendations for the Naval Surface Warfare Center. In addition to suggestions for improving the big eye equipment, she provided recommendations for additional equipment needed for the FSST and specific protocols for big eye use during FSST in this report, including calibration of the bearing rings and how to adjust the big eyes for each observer and properly scan for marine mammals.

Ship Shock Aerial Survey Monitoring, Azura Consulting, HDR, and NAVFAC Atlantic – Protected Species Observer, 2016. As part of the U.S. Navy's Marine Species Monitoring Program, protected species aerial surveys were conducted during Full Ship Shock Trials (FSST) events off the coast of Jacksonville, Florida. Conducted visual surveys for protected species (cetaceans, manatees, and sea turtles) and *Sargassum* mats for three days prior to, the day of, and three days following

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AMAPPS (Atlantic Marine Assessment Program for Protected Species) Shipboard Survey, NOAA and IAP World Services - Fisheries Observer/Marine Mammalogist, 2016. AMAPPS is a collaborative program involving BOEM, U.S. Navy, NOAA Fisheries, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The program focuses on collecting seasonal data on the abundance, distribution, and behavior of marine mammals, sea turtles, and seabirds throughout the U.S. Atlantic EEZ and providing spatially explicit information in a format that can be used by Federal decision makers with living marine resource responsibilities. Conducted visual operations aboard the NOAA R/V Gordon Gunter during an intensive effort to collect distribution and abundance data on marine mammals and sea turtles in the Mid-Atlantic and off the southeast U.S. between Delaware and Florida. In order to estimate the detection probabilities for observed marine mammal groups, this line-transect survey utilized a double platform approach in which two independent teams of visual observers operated from the flying bridge (the upper team) and the bridge wing (the lower team). Conducted visual observation operations via big eye binoculars, handheld binoculars, and naked eye. Recorded environmental data and sightings and behavioral data of marine mammal species sighted during this study.

Sperm Whale Autonomous Tracking (SWAT) Study, Gulf of Mexico, NOAA and IAP World Services (Jun – Jul 2014) – Fisheries Biologist/Marine Mammalogist. Ms. Whitt conducted visual operations aboard the NOAA R/V Gordon Gunter during an intensive effort to satellite tag, biopsy, and photograph sperm whales in the southeastern Gulf of Mexico. Conducted surveys using big eye binoculars.

Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Occurrence Study, French Guiana, CREOCEAN and Shell Exploration and Production \_ Jun **GMI** (Apr 2013) Investigator/Project Manager/Protected Species Observer. Visual observations were conducted during benthic surveys to document the occurrence of marine mammal and sea turtle species off the coast of French Guiana in the spring of 2013. The observer team detected animals via big eye binoculars and naked eye during daytime benthic survey operations. Ms. Whitt designed the systematic study and led the observation efforts. She also managed the database and developed a final report of all sightings recorded. The opportunistic sightings and

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(Poster presentation).

environmental data were used to determine the distribution of marine mammal and sea turtle species in the region.

Marine Mammal Monitoring during Darkness - A Research Development Study, Fishermen's Atlantic City Windfarm, LLC and GMI (2012 - 2013) - Principal Investigator. Conducted Phase 1 of an R&D study to identify and test technologies to find devices or a combination of systems (visual and acoustic technologies) that provide effective detections of small and large marine mammals at sea during periods of darkness and to develop and implement a new strategy for using these systems in concert to monitor for the presence of marine mammals within and near an exclusion zone at night. For Phase 1 of this study, Ms. Whitt conducted a literature review of previous research and tests of devices used to visually detect marine mammals during darkness. In coordination with Senior Acoustician Dr. Dudzinski, she also developed a proof-of-concept plan for testing the devices and systems (combination of visual and acoustic devices) that may prove to be effective for nighttime monitoring of marine mammals in and around an exclusion zone. Phase 2 of this study will include beta testing these devices and systems to determine their effectiveness.

Passive Acoustic Monitoring for Offshore Windpark Project, Fishermen's Energy and GMI – Marine Mammal Acoustician, 2012. Assisted the Senior Acoustician with analysis of acoustic data recorded from two Ecological Acoustic Recorders (EARs) deployed around 1,000 m from the planned turbine construction location in State waters off Atlantic City, NJ to provide a consistent data stream of ambient noise levels related to periods of construction and noise levels outside of construction activity. Used the software program Raven to analyze the acoustic data for ambient noise, anthropogenic noise, fish sounds, and marine mammal vocalizations. The passive acoustic monitoring and analyses are part of a multi-year program to evaluate the potential impacts of developing a utility scale wind farm on the ecology of the region.

Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Survey Protocol in Support of the Site Assessment Plan for the Mid-Atlantic Wind Park off the Coast of DE, NRG Bluewater Wind DE, LLC, Tetra Tech EC, Inc., and GMI (Dec 2011 – Apr 2012) – Protected Species Specialist. Developed the Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Survey Protocol for NRG Bluewater and Tetra Tech. Provided information on previous marine mammal/sea turtle studies in the region and GMI's proposed approach to obtaining site-specific baseline data on marine mammal and sea turtle occurrence, distribution, abundance/density, movement/migration patterns, and behavior within the Project Area. These data will provide NRG Bluewater and regulators

with the necessary details to inform permitting and licensing of the Mid-Atlantic Wind Park Project. The data will also aid in the development of potential monitoring and mitigation strategies for minimizing impacts on marine resources, particularly species protected under federal statutes such as the ESA and MMPA.

**Ecological Baseline Study for Marine Mammals, Sea Turtles,** and Avian Species, New Jersey, NJDEP and GMI (2008-2010) - Chief Scientist. Conducted line transect shipboard surveys of marine mammals and sea turtles along the NJ coastline to estimate the abundance and understand the distribution of species/populations. Responsible for managing the research team and ensuring survey protocols and NOAA permit requirements were maintained. Identified species and estimated school size and composition using "big-eye" binoculars and 7x handheld binoculars. Managed sightings database performed quality checks on all data entries using SAS. Modeled density and abundance estimates of marine mammals using Distance 6.0. Ensured compliance with NOAA Permit No. 10014, served as principal investigator on this permit, monitored all marine mammal/sea turtle takes, and prepared all reports required under the permit.

**Protected Species Monitoring and Mitigation Measures for** Mid-Water Trawl Sampling, Gulf of Mexico, NOAA and GMI (2011) - Lead Protected Species Observer. Trawl sampling operations were conducted aboard the NOAA R/V Pisces during two Summer 2011 cruises in the northern Gulf of Mexico as part of NOAA's NRDA following the Deepwater Horizon oil spill incident. Because trawl sampling overlapped with the occurrence of several species of marine mammals and sea turtles, monitoring and mitigation plans were developed in an attempt to prevent incidental takes of protected species. Ms. Whitt implemented monitoring and mitigation protocols in an attempt to prevent incidental takes of protected species. She was responsible for collecting marine mammal and sea turtle species sightings, behavior, and photographic data and monitoring for protected species before and during trawl sampling via "big eye" binoculars. She coordinated with the PAM team on all marine mammal detections prior to trawl deployment. Ms. Whitt also managed the protected species visual database and adhered to NOAA and NRDA protocols for data collection and chain-ofcustody procedures.

Southern Resident Killer Whale Monitoring and Mitigation Measures for Pile Driving and Extraction Operations, Washington, National Park Service – Marine Mammal Observer, August 2011. Conducted visual surveys for the endangered Southern Resident killer whale (SRKW) before, during, and after in-water pile installation/extraction operations

relating to improvements planned for the Nippon Paper Industries facility on Ediz Hook in Port Angeles, Washington. Responsible for collecting sighting and photographic data of SRKWs and other protected species via boat-based observations. Implemented monitoring and mitigation protocols in an attempt to reduce potential impacts on SRKWs.

**Investigation of Marine Mammal Morbidity and Mortality** through Active Surveillance for Strandings, Gulf of Mexico, NOAA - Principal Investigator/Project Manager, March-June 2011. Conducted weekly aerial surveillance surveys along the seaward shoreline from the eastern end of Atchafalaya Bay, Louisiana, to the Mississippi-Alabama state line, including the Chandeleur Islands and Mississippi barrier islands. The primary objective of these systematic surveys was to provide rapid and complete detection of stranded marine mammals and sea turtles so that NMFS can better determine the conditions, lesions, and causes of strandings and detect changes that may be attributable to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill incident which occurred in April 2010. Served as principal investigator with complete responsibility for coordinating and leading the aerial survey team and managing the database of sightings and strandings per NOAA and NRDA protocols. Responsible for communicating with and reporting all marine mammal/sea turtle strandings to the NMFS Southeast Regional Office Stranding Coordinator to initiate a rapid response effort to investigate the potential causes of morbidity and mortality. Ensured compliance with NOAA Permit No. 779-1633; served as co-principal investigator on this permit, monitored all marine mammal/sea turtle takes, and prepared all reports required under the permit.

Marine Mammal Monitoring during Geophysical Surveys, New Jersey, Bluewater Wind and GMI (2009) - Lead Protected Species Observer. Responsible for collecting protected species sightings data and monitoring for marine mammals within the 500 m exclusion zone around the sound sources which included a Geopulse boomer and multiple sidescan, chirp, and multibeam sonars to identify the subsurface stratigraphy, geomorphologic variations, and natural and manmade obstructions that may be present on the seafloor. Drafted reports of monitoring efforts and sightings in the survey areas.

### Justin Fuller

2404 Arctic Ave Virginia Beach, Virginia (757) 748-6241 justingfuller@gmail.com

#### **Summary**

- Extensive knowledge of MMPA, ESA, and NOAA wildlife regulations.
- Highly organized with ability to prioritize and handle multiple tasks simultaneously.
- Comprehensive knowledge in Virginia's marine and estuarine habitats.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, interpersonal and facilitation skills with multiple levels of external guests and internal staff.
- Efficient in all Microsoft Office Applications.
- Experience in supervising, training staff and volunteers.
- CPR/First Aid certified; AED Certified; Ladder Safety certified.

#### **Education**

#### **University of Wisconsin**

Master's of Conservation Biology Graduated December 2019

#### **Coastal Carolina University**

Bachelor of Science in Marine Science Graduated December 2007

#### **Tidewater Community College**

Associates of Applied Science Graduated December 2001

#### **Employment History**

#### Normandeau Associates, Inc.

Marine Ornithologist Virginia Beach, Virginia January 2020 – Present

- Record avian species observed during the field surveys around the test turbines for the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind Project
- Utilize software that records GPS location, as well as direction, speed, time, and date for documenting the exact tracts the avian species were observed on

#### **Rudee Tours**

Naturalist/Researcher Virginia Beach, Virginia May 2020 – Present

- Naturalist/researcher on wildlife excursion boat trips, and other specialty trips. Educate the public about the wildlife and habitats found off of Virginia's coast, as well as ESA and MMPA laws, and NOAA wildlife watching regulations.
- Record marine mammal, sea turtle, and avian species spotted during the boat trips, including photographing and documenting the location of threatened and endangered species.
- Assist with maintenance of the vessels between trips.

#### Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center

Exhibit Tech 1/Educator Virginia Beach, Virginia February 2007 – Present

- Conducted an offshore bird survey with the Center for Conservation Biology and William & Mary, under Virginia Aquarium grant for potential wind farm locations off the Virginia coast.
- Assisted with the Osprey Watch research program with the Center for Conservation Biology, banding, recording, and monitor osprey and nests.
- Interpreter on dolphin and whale watching boat trips, and other specialty trips. Educated the public about the wildlife and habitats found off of Virginia's coast, as well as ESA and MMPA laws, and NOAA wildlife watching regulations.
- Identified and documented marine species, including but not limited to: manatees, bottlenose dolphins, common dolphins, humpback whales, fin whales, minke whales, North Atlantic right whales, along with sea turtles. As well as recorded environmental data during the trips.
- Reported any violations of ESA & MMPA laws, in addition to NOAA wildlife watching regulations.
- Responsible for the daily husbandry of the harbor seals, river otters, reptiles, amphibians, birds, and quarantine animals.
- Rabies pre-exposure up to date.
- Supervised and trained animal care volunteers, and part-time employees.

#### **Coastal Carolina University**

Researcher

August 2002 – December 2007

- Assisted with a population study on indigenous shark species of Winyah Bay, SC, tagging sharks from pup size to large bull sharks.
- Drew blood samples for chemical analysis, as well as record size and body status.
- Conducted population study of bottlenose dolphin population off the South Carolina coast.

# RPS Offshore Protected Species Observer Training

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# **Justin Fuller**

Has successfully completed a course of instruction in
Training for Seismic Mitigation
Under the BOEM NTL 2016-G02

This certificate of Completion awarded

This 10th day of October 2021

CPS

20405 Tomball Parkway, Building 2, Suite 200 Houston, TX 77070 Tel: (281) 448-6188



Stephanie Mile Gessica Richardson BSEE Approved Instructor(s)

# Greetings Justin:

Thank you for your interest in obtaining approval from NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work as a Protected Species Observer (PSO). We have reviewed your credentials and made the following determinations:

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You meet the NMFS "conditional" training and experience recommendations for PSOs serving aboard hydraulic hopper dredges. See our website for additional <u>on-the-job</u> <u>training</u>.

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Sincerely,

Max

H. Max Tritt
Fishery Biologist
Greater Atlantic Fisheries Office
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17 Godfrey Drive, Suite 1
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Tel: 207.866.3756

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# ALYSSA J. MUHLENDORF

# **Certifications/Education History**

# MARINE NATURALIST TRAINING

The Whale Museum, April 2021

Intensive 40 hour overview of the natural history of the Salish Sea including an in-depth review of the ecology and conservation of local marine species.

# ENVIRONMENTAL LAW COMPLIANCE COURSEWORK

The Shipley Group, March and June 2021

Overviews of the: Marine Mammal Protection Act, Endangered Species Act, and National Environmental Policy Act; Environmental Risk and Public Involvement.

# PROTECTED SPECIES OBSERVER (PSO) CERTIFICATION

Marine Protected Species Consulting, February 22, 2021

# CHESAPEAKE STEWARD TRAINING

Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 2014-2015

20 course and 20 hour service project about the Chesapeake Bay watershed and the challenges and opportunities in restoration.

# NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY

Masters in Social Work, 2010

# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Masters in International Affairs, 2001

# UNIVERSITY OF PUGET SOUND

Bachelors in Politics & Government, 1999

# **Environmental Experience**

# MARINE MAMMAL OBSERVER

Azura Consulting | 2021-Present

Utilized knowledge of marine mammals in the Chesapeake Bay to monitor for marine mammals, interpret animal behavior and monitoring protocols, and select appropriate mitigation measures to ensure compliance with the Parallel Thimble Shoals Tunnel Project's monitoring plan and permits.

# VOLUNTEER NATURALIST Rudee Tours | 2021-Present

Educated guests and answered questions about Atlantic bottlenose dolphins and Virginia Beach waterways during two hour dolphin watching trips.

# DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT Lynnhaven River NOW | 2019-2021

Created and implemented successful strategies to inspire giving to restore and protect Virginia Beach's waterways. Launched the organization's endowment. Managed 3 fundraisers per year and cultivated donor relationships. Connected donors with environmental stewardship activities. Managed and improved the functionality of the donor database.

# OYSTER GARDENER

# Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) | 2014-Present

Tended 2,000 spat-on-shell per year in multiple cages off our family's dock. Returned the oysters annually to the CBF to be part of local sanctuary oyster reefs to increase the local native oyster population.



# **Executive Summary**

- Dynamic, motivated professional with infectious enthusiasm, great organizational and interpersonal skills, and a passion for environmental stewardship and marine life.
- Excellent verbal, written, database, and social media skills.
- Lifelong passion for studying and observing marine life. Explored marine habitats on boats and land in Hawaii, Belize, Baja California, Bahamas, Florida, and throughout the Puget Sound and Virginia.
- Sailboat owner.
- Authored articles about native plants and environmental stewardship in the Jewish News of Southeastern Virginia and East Beach Penninsula Life magazine.

# Other Work Experience

FUNDRAISER FOR POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS State & Congressional Races | 2017-2019

## COORDINATOR

Chesapeake Connections Foster Care | 2010-2013

CLINICIAN, GRADUATE DEGREE INTERN
Bon Secours Employee Assistance Program | 2009-2010

AGENCY DIRECTOR'S GRADUATE INTERN Chesapeake Human Services | 2008-2009

SPECIAL NEEDS CASE MANAGER
Jewish Family Service | 2005-2008

HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE
Zimbabwe Democracy Trust | 2003-2004

# STAFF ASSOCIATE

Committee on International Relations, U.S. House of Representatives | 2000-2003

TECHNICAL EDITING ASSISTANT Abt Associates | 1999-2000

# **Contact Details**

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Email: alyssajorgenson@gmail.com

Address: 9643 24th Bay Street, Norfolk, VA 23518

# Protected Species Observer Certification Marine Protected Species Consulting

This is to verify that

# Alyssa Muhlendorf

Has successfully completed a course of training For seismic mitigation under the

BIOLOGICAL OPINION on the Federally-Regulated Oil and Gas Program Activities in the Gulf of Mexico

Protected Species Observer

On this day the

22nd of February 2021



Angela Bostwick, NMFS/BOEM/BSEE-Approved Instructor



Amy Whitt <amy@azuraco.com>

# **PSO Epproval**

1 message

Alyssa Muhlendorf <alyssajorgenson@gmail.com> To: Amy Whitt <amy@azuraco.com>

Wed, Jun 30, 2021 at 11:14 AM

Good morning, Amy - I am happy to report that I have received NOAA approval to work as a PSO on the Thimble Shoals Project. Please see the below "e-pproval" letter.

All the best, Alyssa Muhlendorf

----- Forwarded message ------

From: Max Tritt - NOAA Federal <max.tritt@noaa.gov>

Date: Mon, Jun 28, 2021 at 7:07 AM

Subject: PSO Epproval

To: <alyssajorgenson@gmail.com>

Cc: Kim Stanton <kstanton7218@gmail.com>

# **Greetings Alyssa:**

Thank you for your interest in obtaining approval from NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work as a Protected Species Observer (PSO). We have reviewed your credentials and made the following determinations:

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Sincerely,

H. Max Tritt Fishery Biologist **Greater Atlantic Fisheries Office** National Marine Fisheries Service 17 Godfrey Drive, Suite 1 Orono, ME. 04473

Tel: 207.866.3756 Fax: 207.866.7342

# Brandon R. Paquin, 2101Pamela Dr, Holiday FL 34690 PH: (305) 3043733 – E-Mail: brpaqua73@gmail.com

# **OBJECTIVE:**

Secure work as an endangered species/Marine mammal Observer/ DMI

# **PROFESSIONAL PROFILE:**

A marine mammal professional with twenty-five years of experience working within the zoological industry and marine mammal research communities. Extensive experience conducting NMFS Authorized inshore and offshore photo-identification research, managing marine mammal stranding events, providing rehabilitative care, conducting necropsies, aiding interventions and coordination and deployment of six dolphin health and environmental risk assessments.

# **EMPLOYMENT:**

RMSA, NOAA contractor, Protected species observer Tide Environmental, NOAA contractor, Protected species observer, MMPA, ESA, MFO mitigator, Boston Harbor

Marine Ventures Inc, NOAA contractor, FPL(Florida power and light), Protected species observer, MMPA, ESA Mitigator

TideEnvironmental,NOAA contractor, Protected species observer, MMPA, ESA mitigator,Hopper dredge, Jupiter, Fl

Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution, Ft. Pierce, FL

Marine Animal Rescue Society and Florida Keys Marine Laboratories Marine Mammal Conservancy, Key Largo, FL

Sarasota Jungle Gardens, Sarasota, FL

Marine Animal Rescue Society and Florida Keys Marine Laboratories Dolphin Research Center, Grassy Key, FL

Miami Metro Zoo

Miami Seaquarium

# **EXPERIENCE / SKILLS:**

2021-2020 2003-2006 2003-2003 2003-2003 2001-2002 2000-2000 1996-1999 1995-1996 19921995

- Animal Care and Rehabilitation Technician
- · Animal Health, Husbandry and Welfare
- First Responder Rescue and Response Coordinator
- Photo-Identification Research Associate / NMFS LOC-15631 Mazzoil)
- Health and Environmental Risk Assessment / NMFS Permit #998-1678)
- Boat Pilot (17' 36') In-Shore and Offshore Navigation
- Necropsy Pathobiological Examinations
- Behavioral Conditioning and Enrichment
- Invasive Fish Species Removal Technician
- Marine Operations, Maintenance and Inventory
- Veterinary Treatments and Diagnostic Procedures
- Operation and Use of Digital Cameras (Photo-ID)
- Operation and Application of Telemetry Systems
- Operation of Life Support Systems / Water Quality
- Educational and Outreach
- Logistics and Deployment
- Nutrition and Diet

# **EXPERIENCE / HIGHLIGHTS:**

# Brandon R. Paquin, 2101Pamela Dr, Holiday FL 34690 PH: (305) 3043733 – E-Mail: brpaqua73@gmail.com

- Participated in (6) dolphin health and environmental risk assessments (IRL/CHS)
- Conducted (3) Years of Monthly Photo-ID Research / Indian River Lagoon
- Participated in the Response & Recovery of Hurricane Katrina Dolphins (MS)
- Participated in (11) Interventions to Recover/Evaluate Entangled Dolphins
- Served as Rehabilitation Supervisor on Numerous Stranding Events
- Release and Post-Release Monitoring of Dolphins
- · Jellyfish Breeding Program Assistant
- Conditional training with harbor seals and rescue and rehabilitation
- Participated in USGS Manatee Health Assessments (Crystal River)
- Response and Care for Cold Stunned Sea Turtles and Manatee
- Participated in fisheries studies and survey studies for Florida Fish and Wildlife
- · Aided in the Multi-Agency Rescue and Initial Care of "Winter"

# MANAGED and WILD STOCK SPECIES:

Common Bottlenose Dolphin (Tursiops truncatus)

Pacific White Sided Dolphin (*Lagenorhynchus obliquidens*) Striped Dolphin (*Stenella clymeme*; *Stenella coeruleoalba*) Pantropical Spotted Dolphin (*Stenella frontalis*)

Pygmy Sperm Whale (Kogia Breviceps)

Dwarf Sperm Whale (Kogia Sima)

Sperm whale

Long-Finned Pilot Whale (Globicephala melas)

Beaked Whale (Mesoplodon spp)

Gervais' Beaked Whale (Mesoplodon europaeus)

Killer Whale (Orcinus orca)

Manatee (*Trichechus manatus*)

California Sea Lion (Zalophus Californianus)

Pacific Harbor Seal (*Phoca vitulina*)
Aquarium Fish Stock, Sharks and Rays
Reptiles (*Venomous and Non-Venomous*)
Birds of Prey
Pachyderm Primates

# **QULAIFICATIONS / CERTIFICATION:**

- Certified open water diver (PADI)
- Certified Safe Boat Operator (FWCC)
- American Red Cross First Aid and CPR Training
- Valid Florida Drivers License REFERENCES: Upon Request

# RPS Offshore Protected Species Observer Training

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# **Brandon Paquin**

Has successfully completed a course of instruction in
Training for Seismic Mitigation
Under the BOEM NTL 2016-G02

This certificate of Completion awarded

This 15th day of December 2020

20405 Tomball Parkway, Building 2, Suite 200 Houston, TX 77070 Tel: (281) 448-6188



Stephenie Mile Gessica Richardson BSEE Approved Instructor(s)

# **Greetings Brandon:**

Thank you for your interest in obtaining approval from NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work as a Protected Species Observer (PSO). We have reviewed your credentials and made the following determinations:

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# Sincerely,

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# **PAUL J ORYEM**

314-514-5701 | paul@innoviummarine.com

# PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Marine environmental services assignments on decommissioned oil rigs and pipelines, clamshell dredging operations, sea wall restoration projects, hopper dredges (channel maintenance and beach nourishment) and other maritime construction activities.

# **Environmental Inspector** role(s):

- ◆ Health and Safety Plan (HASP) adherence and daily reports of operational activities and other aspects including applicable observations regarding spills, sheens, debris overboard
- ◆ Conducted environmental orientations, tracked and updated training to third party contractors of company, state and federal statutes, regulations and guidelines
- ◆ Documented observable protected species sightings and environmental conditions on approved data forms and reported all incidents to designated personnel
- ◆ Monitored a 360° exclusion zone for protected species around maritime operations. Advised captain and crew regarding vessel speed restrictions and activities (from applicable permit referenced guidance) in the event of protected species observations

On US Army Corps of Engineers projects utilized Operations and Dredging Endangered Species System (**ODESS**) for reporting and monitoring compliance with Federal regulations: *Endangered Species Act* (ESA) and the *Marine Mammal Protection Act* (MMPA)

- ◆ Monitoring and recording marine species and behaviors during regulated construction activities
- ◆ Maintaining accurate, unbiased scientific data and following required protocols
- ◆ Identifying sea turtles, birds, and marine mammals at a species-level, both at distances and by body parts; estimating distance, quantity, and behaviors of animals during observation activities

# **CREDENTIALS, CERTIFICATIONS and TRAINING**

**US Passport** & Trusted Traveler Programs: Global Entry, **NEXUS** card for Canada, Asia Pacific Economic

Cooperation (APEC) Business Travel Card, TSA PreCheck

Commercial Drivers License (Class B CDL) endorsements: HazMat, Tank, Airbrake, Passenger

Transportation Worker Identification Credential TWIC card

OGUK Medical Certificate NSC First Aid. CPR and AED

IADC RigPass course including **SafeGulf** and SafeLand Florida Boating Safety Education ID Card

Dredged Material Inspector (DMI)

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (2021)

Automated Disposal Surveillance System (ADDIS)

Control Inspector (Turbidity Monitor)

Passive Acoustic Monitoring (PAM)

Florida Stormwater, Erosion & Sedimentation Florida Department of Environmental Protection (2021)

Protected Species Observer Approval Letter National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) (2020)

Dredging, Construction

Marine Mammal and Protected Species Training Intelligent Ocean(2017) King's Lynn, England

Protected Species Observer (PSO)

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)

Marine Mammal Observer (MMO)

Joint Nature Conservation Committee (JNCC)

Offshore Survival Training Survivex(2017) Aberdeen, Scotland

OPITO Basic Offshore Safety Induction & Emergency Training (BOSIET) with HUET, CA-EBS and EBS

Center for Environmental Education and Training (CEET)

Saint Louis University

Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) and environmental licenses earned through over 400+ contact hour

training sessions in two modules: Green Technology in 2011, Environmental Remediation in 2015

**40 Hour HAZWOPER** OSHA 7300 Permit-Required Confined Space Standard

OSHA 10 Hour Construction Safety & Health OSHA 7405 Fall Hazard Awareness

OSHA 511 Standards for General Industry OSHA 7410 Managing Excavation Hazards

OSHA 521 Guide to Industrial Hygiene OSHA 7200 Bloodborne Pathogens

OSHA 7205 Health Hazard Awareness OSHA 7105 Evacuation and Emergency Planning OSHA 7500 Intro to Safety & Health Management OSHA 7100 Machinery and Machine Safeguarding

Bachelor's Degree in **Biology** with minors in Chemistry and Economics

Oakwood University

# **EXPERIENCE**

Environmental Inspector (EI)

August 2020 - present

On assignment as a Haley & Aldrich Field Representative providing **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission** (FERC) training and monitoring on Rigs to Reef (decommissioned oil rigs) project in the Gulf of Mexico Tasked as a Protected Species Observer (PSO) and worked with crew to comply with Vessel Strike Avoidance protocols while in transit including 30 minute incremental reporting requirements

Marine Endangered Species Observer (MESO) assignments as an Independent Contractor

Port Everglades Permit Number: SAJ-1999-5545(IP-SLN)

Hopper Dredge: Specie(s) of Concern: Marine Mammals, Turtles

Miami Beach Seawall Restoration Permit Number: W912EP19C0037

Shore Based: Specie(s) of Concern: Trichechus manatus

Fire Island, NY; Sea Bright, NJ Beach Nourishment Projects

Hopper Dredge: 5/2020-07/2020 Specie(s) of Concern: Humpback Whales

Charleston Entrance Channel Maintenance Permit Number: W912hp-17-b-0004

Hopper Dredge: 12/2019-01/2020 Specie(s) of Concern: Marine mammals, sea turtles

Port of Wilmington Turning Basin Expansion Permit Number:

Clam Shell Barge: Specie(s) of Concern: Acipenser

Virginia Beach Hurricane Protection **Permit Number:** W912-36-19C-0016

Hopper Dredge: 07/19-12/19 Specie(s) of Concern: Marine mammals, sea turtles

North Pacific Groundfish Observer *for* **Northwest Observers (NWO)** Sand Point, Akutan, Dutch Harbor 1998 Monitored vessels and shore side plants in Alaska for compliance with federal fisheries regulations including:

- Fishing effort, location, and gear type
- Composition, size, sex, and weight for catch and bycatch
- Biological samples (tissue, age structures, stomach contents)
- Fishery interactions with marine mammals and seabirds
- Incidental takes of crab, Pacific salmon, halibut, herring, & short-tailed albatross

# **CITIZEN SCIENCE**

Sea Turtle Nest Survey Workshop/Webinar (2020) Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)

Potomac Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Training (2019)

Potomac Riverkeeper Network

Missouri Stream Team (4564)

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Chemical monitoring and testing, biological monitoring of stream macroinvertebrates in urban watersheds, physical monitoring (i.e., visual survey). Watershed stewardship, advocacy and education including invasive species removal, stream bank stabilization and revegetation

Stream Team Academy Workshop (2018)

Sedalia, MO

Watershed Connectivity, Groundwater, Rural BMPs and Urban BMPs

Water Quality Monitoring (VWQM) Workshops (2012)

Stream discharge, chemical and biological monitoring

Cuivre River State Park, MO Babler State Park, MO

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology (IMarEST) Society for Marine Mammalogy (SMM) Association of Professional Observers (APO) Marine Mammal Observer Association (MMOA)

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Digital Content & Creation for Innovium Environmental Group

9/2017 - Present

Provided administrative support, records management, and assisted in project creation. Templating geospatial community health GIS initiative with ESRI StoryMaps

Production coordinator: Digital Tools for Science Education, Outreach and Communication

Member of regional collaborations: OneSTL Water and Green Infrastructure Working Group; BiodiverseCity St. Louis: and BiomeStl

# HazMat Compliance (TST) for Clean Harbors

3/2016 - 9/2017

Functioned as a Field Chemist within the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Safely operated *Hazardous Materials* (HazMat) trucks

Responded to hazardous materials and substances at client sites. Project scope and duration adhered to the standard operating procedures of Department of Transportation (DOT), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the **Resource Conservation and Recovery Act** (RCRA)

Tasked as client manager for collection and transport of medical wastes at regional hospital system in compliance with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) guidelines Functioned as a DEA representative for Clean Harbors in the destruction process of controlled substances collected from retail pharmacies and university labs

# Logistics Coordinator for Metropolitan Management Conference Services

7/2014-Present

(Remote Contract) Technology support: registration database, documentation and web updates Served in onsite logistics capacity (transportation, press room, exhibit sales, event staffing) for conferences and events

Technology Subcontractor for Innovium MC

2/2006 - 6/2014

Conducted programs in citizen science, environmental health, nature based arts programming and community engagement for volunteer community based organization: *Digital Arts Collaborative* 

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

COLLABORATION: Office 365: SharePoint, Microsoft Teams; Discord, Slack

APPLICATIONS: G Suite, Microsoft 365: Access, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Visio

PLATFORMS/OS: MacOS, Windows, Apache, Ubuntu, AWS, Salesforce, Azure, Google Cloud

FRAMEWORKS: Flutter, Ushahidi, Wordpress, HTML, CSS, Twine, Unity3D, PRODUCTION: Final Cut Pro, Amazon FireStick app, ROKU channels

PROGRAMMING: Python, Dart, web scripts



# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE GREATER ATLANTIC REGIONAL FISHERIES OFFICE 55 Great Republic Drive Gloucester, MA 01930-2276

JAN 1 4 2020

Paul J. Oryem 5902 Elsie Court Clinton, MD 20725

Re: Protected Species Observer Approval

Dear Mr. Oryem:

Thank you for your interest in obtaining approval from NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work as a Protected Species Observer (PSO). We have reviewed your credentials to determine if you have sufficient training and experience to effectively monitor for protected species interactions.

# Construction, Blasting, and Pile Driving

You possess sufficient training and experience to be considered a NMFS approved observer qualified for general construction projects, including pile driving and explosive demolitions (blasting projects). This determination is based on your education, training, and previous experience conducting various types of environmental monitoring.

## Dredging and Dredged Material Disposal

You have sufficient training and experience to be considered a NMFS approved PSO qualified to monitor for interactions with listed species on mechanical dredging projects. You are approved for PSO work that may be required in association with dredged material disposal operations. Additionally, have fulfilled all necessary hopper dredge-training requirements and gained the adequate experience to be an unconditionally approved PSO who can stand independent watches. You are also qualified to train and supervise conditionally approved PSOs.

We appreciate your efforts in the conservation of threatened and endangered species and look forward to working with you in the future. Please ensure that you carry a copy of this approval letter while conducting PSO duties. This approval is valid for projects in both the Greater Atlantic and Southeast Regions of the U.S. that may require PSOs. Also, please note that this approval is not equivalent to the Fisheries Observer certification offered by the NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center, or applicable to the Platform Removal Observer Program conducted by NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center. If you have any questions about these comments, please contact Max Tritt of my staff at (207) 866-3756 or Max.Tritt@noaa.gov.

Sincerely

Jennifer Anderson

Assistant Regional Administrator

for Protected Resources



EC: Tritt, Oryem File Code: Endangered Species Observers File 2020



# **Training Certificate**

This is to certify that

# Paul J Oryem

has completed



# **Joint Nature Conservation Committee** Marine Mammal Observer Training

Alison Gill

Dated: 28th February 2017

Alison Gill, BSc. MSc. JNCC Approved Marine Mammal Observer Trainer Certificate no. JNCC\_001014



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# **Paul J Oryem**

has completed

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE)
Gulf of Mexico
Protected Species Observer Training

Alian Gill

Dated: 1st March 2017

Alison Gill, BSc. MSc. BOEM/BSEE Approved Protected Species Observer Trainer

Certificate no. BSEE\_000433

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# Alexandria (Allie) Ruby

<u>abruby92@gmail.com</u> (314) 255-4444

# Relevant Experience

Marine Ventures International, Stuart, FL

June-July 2019

Trained on both the Atlantic and Virginian clam-shell dredges. Learned on-site skills overnight, as well as proper data entry for sightings, operational pauses, and species identification.

# Sea Turtle Preservation Society (Volunteer), Melbourne, FL

January 2017- April 2020

Three years of nesting surveys in Cocoa Beach, Florida identifying leatherback, loggerhead, and green turtles' nests, hatchlings, and tracks. Documented the GPS coordinates, marked each site, and communicated data with GEOMAR Environmental Consultants

# Other Experience

The Great American Diving Company, St. Charles, MO

January 2016-March 2017 & Current

Maintained equipment for 75 full sets of gear, organized retail records, regular customer tank fills, and other shop duties. Assisting Instructor as staff DiveMaster.

# Sea Shepherd Conservation Society (on-shore volunteer), Tampa FL

May 2018- April 2020

Advocated awareness about current projects during the Cocoa Beach Art Shows. Presented environmental information and details about offshore ships in

# Certifications

PSO August 2019 PAM August 2019 ODESS August 2019

Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) DiveMaster *April 2021* PADI Fish Identification Specialist (awarded level one, qualified for level two)

# Education

**State Fair Community College**, Osage Beach, Missouri *Graduated May 2014* Associate of Arts in General Studies

Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, Missouri

June 2014 - December 2015

Senior standing for bachelor's in Marine Biology

# **Certificate of Completion**



# **Protected Species Observer Training**

This course has been reviewed and accepted by National Marine Fisheries Service Office of Protected Species and is compliant with the following training guidelines:

# BOEM NTL 2016-G02 Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission Manatee Training

This certificate is awarded to

Alexandria Ruby

Given this 18th day of August of 2019

Mary Jo Barkaszi
Marine Mammal & Ocean Sound Director



Amy Whitt <amy@azuraco.com>

# Fwd: PSO Epproval Allie Ruby

1 message

**Kim Stanton** <kstanton7218@gmail.com>
To: Amy Whitt <amy@azuraco.com>

Thu, Dec 30, 2021 at 11:22 AM

Kim Stanton
Marine Endangered Species Consultant

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From: Max Tritt - NOAA Federal <max.tritt@noaa.gov>

Date: Fri, Aug 27, 2021, 11:31 AM

Subject: PSO Epproval To: <abruby92@gmail.com>

Cc: Kim Stanton <kstanton7218@gmail.com>

# Greetings Alexandria:

Thank you for your interest in obtaining approval from NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work as a Protected Species Observer (PSO). We have reviewed your credentials and made the following determinations:

You meet the NMFS training and experience recommendations for PSOs serving at general nearshore construction projects such as pile driving, explosive demolitions, mechanical dredging, and dredged material disposal; and

You meet the NMFS "conditional" training and experience recommendations for PSOs serving aboard hydraulic hopper dredges. See our website for additional on-the-job training;

Please note that this approval is only valid for activities noted above, such as nearshore construction, pile driving, demolitions, dredging, and spoils disposal in the Western Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico.

For more information on PSO approval for geophysical surveys, such as bottom profiling using sonar or other electromagnetic devices or for seismic surveys that use air guns, please contact nmfs.psoreview@noaa.gov. Further, this approval is not applicable to the Northeast Fisheries Observers Program or the Platform Removal Observer Program.

Please ensure that you retain a copy of this email approval for your records and that you carry a copy while conducting PSO duties. We appreciate your efforts in the conservation of protected species and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

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H. Max Tritt
Fishery Biologist
Greater Atlantic Fisheries Office
National Marine Fisheries Service
17 Godfrey Drive, Suite 1

Orono, ME. 04473

Tel: 207.866.3756 Fax: 207.866.7342

# **Kimberly Stanton**

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# **Career Progression**

## Protected Species Observer & Wildlife Project Manager: Cayo Construction

April 2020-Present

- Developed an SOP PSO Standards and Procedures as a guideline for approved observers.
- · Recruited, trained, and scheduled a pool of professional.
- Cultivated a professional relationship with the Jacksonville USACE district.
- Created pertinent daily, weekly, and incidental data sheets and the JSA for observers specific to pile driving activity for sea wall restoration. All of which were submitted and approved by USACE.
- Successfully completed both preparatory and initial inspection for the wildlife monitoring portion by USACE.
- Accurately maintained all necessary data sheets and submitted daily.
- Will write the final report for the wildlife portion of the environmental specs.

## Protected Species Observer/ Marine Endangered Species Observer: Independent Contractor

Aug 2008-Present

- · Observed and mitigated for marine protected species (i.e. cetaceans, manatees, sea turtles and sturgeon) and reported any interaction.
- Spent 2 months aboard a survey vessel for a subsea cable survey which started on the coast of Massachusetts going offshore of Nova Scotia, Canada. Following BOEM/NMFS guidelines, I prepared a Protected Species Mitigation and Monitoring Program specific to survey area. Observed for large cetaceans, in particular the north Atlantic right whale, and other marine protected species. Wrote the MMO final report submitted once survey concluded.
- Observed aboard cutter head dredges, clamshell dredges, hopper dredges and mechanical dredges.
- Cetaceans, manatees, and sea turtles sighted from both boat-based and land-based observation points.
- Experienced in observations of cetaceans, manatees, and sea turtles in areas of high aggregation.
- Experienced in nighttime/low visibility observations on board dredges.
- Experienced working in rough conditions with limited supervision on hopper dredges in GOM and Atlantic Ocean.
- Accurately collected scientific data for each load on board hopper dredges.
- Followed National Marine Fisheries Service sampling protocols and carcass disposal when marine protected species "take" occurred.
- Able to work on ships at sea for a minimum of 3 weeks at a time, live in confined spaces, tolerate stress, and be physically fit.

# Coastal and Marine Project Manager: REMSA, Inc.

July 2019-Sept 2019

- Recruited, hired, trained, scheduled, and maintained a quality pool of observers.
- Maintained a professional working relationship between REMSA, USACE, construction companies and observers.
- Ensured REMSA met contractual obligations.
- Maintained observer field data and biological sampling quality control for multiple projects.
- Created relative data sheets dependent upon environmental specs per contract.
- Authored various project's final report in a timely manor

Deckhand: Entertainment Cruises Washington, DC

Feb 2018-Nov 2018

Mad Science Enrichment Instructor: Mad Science Silver Spring, MD

Oct 2016-Dec 2017

Hawaiian Monk Seal Rehabilitator: The Marine Mammal Center's Ke Kai Ola Hospital Kailua-Kona, HI

2015-2016

<u>Large Whale Disentanglement & Cetacean (Dolphin and Whale) Stranding Response Volunteer:</u> West Hawaii Marine Mammal Response Network Kailua-Kona, HI 2015-2016

Whale Watching Guide Ocean Sports Waikoloa, HI

2015-2016

Marine Biologist/Sea Turtle & Reef Educator: Kahalu'u Bay Education Center Kailua-Kona, HI

2015

Educated public at popular snorkeling reef about various species and etiquette.

Larval Rearing Aquaculture Technician: Shrimp Improvement Systems Kailua-Kona, HI

2015

<u>Veterinary Technician:</u> Pender Veterinary Centre Fairfax, VA

2014

Raptor Rehabilitator Volunteer: Raptor Conservancy of Virginia Falls Church, VA

2013-2014

Wildlife/Pinniped Veterinary Technician Rehabilitation Intern: Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre Salt Spring Island, BC, Canada 2014

Veterinary Technician: Blue Ridge Veterinary Associates and Blood Bank Purcellville, VA

2011-2013

<u>Dispensary Technician/Foal Watch Veterinary Assistant:</u> Virginia Tech's Marion DuPont Scott Equine Medical Center (Virginia- Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine) Leesburg, VA

2011-2012

Pinniped Rehabilitator: Seal Rescue and Research Center (Lenie'T Hart) Pieterburen, Netherlands

2009-2010

- 2009
- Experienced working in rough conditions unsupervised on commercial fishing vessels from Rhode Island to Maine.
- Proficient with fish and protected species ID and at collecting biological samples such as scales, otoliths and DNA samples.
- Observed and documented marine protected species sightings/interactions.
- Followed NMFS sampling protocol when marine protected species "take" occurred.
- Independently performed pinniped necropsy after "take" occurred and transported animal back to NMFS office for further analysis.
- Assisted with various marine mammal necropsies performed at Wood's Hole Oceanographic Institute.
- Completed cold-water offshore survival skills course.
- Obtained NOAA confidential security clearance.

# Manager, Zookeeper, Enrichment Coordinator: Leesburg Animal Park Leesburg, VA

2008

# Pinniped Rehabilitator Volunteer: North Coast Marine Mammal Center (NCMMC) Crescent City, CA

2004-2007

- Coordinated stranding hotline.
- Responded to stranding's on beach to visually assess condition of pinniped.
- Assisted with all aspects of hospitalized pinnipeds and subsequent release.
- Developed successful fundraising events and public education activities.

# Marine Mammal Education and Research Program (MMERP) Intern: Humboldt State University Arcata, CA

2004-2006

- Radio tagged and performed telemetry on Harbor seals.
- Completed cetacean surveys of Gray and Humpback whales.
- Assisted with necropsies including spending entire 3 days on a fin whale that washed ashore.
- Educated public when events occurred.

<u>Veterinary/Kennel Assistant:</u> Nokesville Veterinary Clinic Nokesville, VA

2005-2006

Wildlife Rehabilitator Volunteer: Humboldt Wildlife Care Center Arcata, CA

2001-2002

Great Ape House Zoo Keeper Aid Volunteer: Smithsonian National Zoological Park Washington, D.C.

1998-2001

Petting Zoo Staff: Reston Animal Park Reston, VA

1998

## **EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS**

## Humboldt State University Arcata, California

August 2007

- B.S. Marine Biology
- B.S. Zoology

## Northern Virginia Community College Sterling, VA

May 2013

• A.A.S. Veterinary Technology

Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE) Passed

# **CERTIFICATIONS/WORKSHOPS**

Sea Turtle Nesting Beach Survey Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

April 2020

CPR/First Aid American Red Cross

**Protected Species Observer Certification** RPS

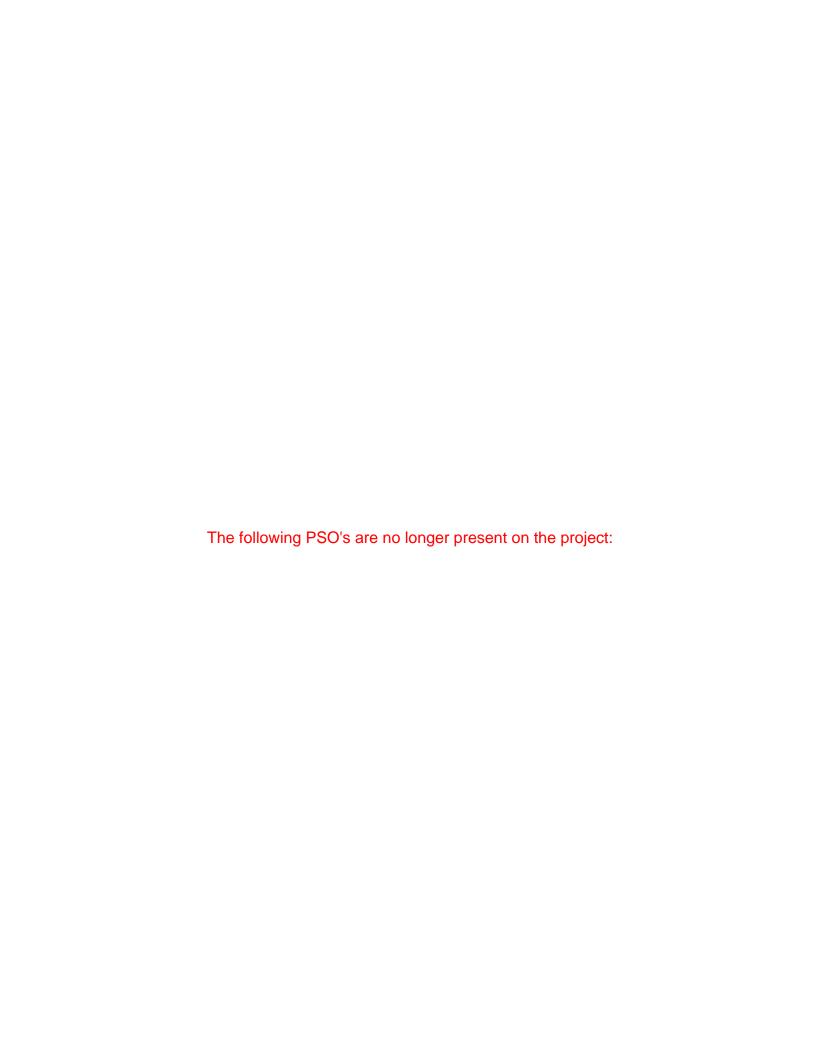
Feb 2019

TWIC

Certified Wildlife Rehabilitator International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Stanton, K. F. and Reis, S. 2007. "Isolation and Characterization of a Radiation Resistant Bacterium from the Manila Dunes", *Humboldt Journal of Microbiology* (HJM) 9: 139-147



# ASHLEY A. STEINKRAUS

571.212.4290 · vonsteiny@gmail.com U.S. Citizenship · Willing to travel/relocate

# **EDUCATION**

**Master of Natural Resources** 

19 December 2019

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Remote

Honors: Phi Kappa Phi, GPA 4.0

Graduate Certificate - Global Sustainability

17 August 2019

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Remote

Postbaccalaureate Certificate - Geographic Information Systems

December 2016

Pennsylvania State University, Remote

Career Diploma - Wildlife and Forestry Conservation

July 2012

Penn Foster, Remote

**Bachelor of Science - Sociology** 

December 2009

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia

Concentration: Crime and Deviance

Honors: Alpha Kappa Delta

# **CERTIFICATIONS**

Virginia Master Naturalist

Expected June 2021

Fairfax Chapter (VT, VCE, DGIF, DF, DCR, VMNH, VDEQ)

Wilderness Medicine/First Aid

June 2019

NOLS

**Passive Acoustic Monitor** Seiche Marine Solutions April 2014

Protected Species Observer (NTL No. 2012-G02)

Continental Shelf Associates

April 2014

# FIELD EXPERIENCE

# International Field Experience - South Africa

July 2019

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

- Analyzed natural resource solutions in urban and informal housing communities, met with stakeholders to discuss resource conflict mitigation strategies
- Examined rural agriculture-conservation partnerships
- Reviewed endangered species conservation strategies, community education initiatives and antipoaching programs at Kariega Game Reserve

# Marine Mammal Observer & Supervisor

February-May 2015

Gray Whales Count, Goleta, California

- Collected population and behavioral data on north-bound gray whales from coastal point count site
- Recorded sightings of other local California species, e.g. pinnipeds, sea birds and other cetaceans
- Supervised interns and trained volunteers on survey protocols and species identification

# **Marine Mammal Observer**

Murdoch University, Keauhou, Hawai'i

- Collected data daily on abundance, distribution and behavior of local spinner dolphin populations
- Hiked in/out with gear pack over rugged terrain to remote field site overlooking dolphin resting bay
- Conducted boat-based photo-identification surveys; operated, trailered and cleaned 7m research vessel
- Analyzed images, matched individuals using IMatch, performed data entry and management, QA/QC

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Biodiversity Annotation Technician - Weecology Lab

February 2021-Present

February-April 2013

University of Florida, Remote

- Identifies wading bird species and behaviors from camera trap/drone images around Everglades, FL
- Annotates tree-crowns in aerial imagery of NEON sites across the U.S. and Puerto Rico

# **Executive Assistant and Client Services Coordinator**

January 2016-November 2017

Lightning Launch, Amesbury, Massachusetts

- Recorded meeting minutes and managed C-level calendars, travel and correspondence
- Primary contact for over 70 clients, maintained client database, drafted and executed contracts
- Developed workflows, oversaw banking activities and collected payments
- Prepared monthly project progress reports for clients, composed newsletters and blog posts

# Research Specialist - Encyclopedia of Life

March 2016-January 2017

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

- Researched, developed and standardized datasets of Floridian flora and fauna
- Created biodiversity cards, games and lesson plans for students and educators
- Designed educational materials for and participated in Gulf Islands National Seashore bioblitz event

# **Conservation Associate**

October 2014-January 2015

Terwilliger Consulting, Remote

- Proofread and edited comprehensive conservation plans (CCPs) and state wildlife action plans (SWAPs) for Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware and Rhode Island
- Evaluated and organized datasets in Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) databases, QA/QC
- Acted as liaison between regulatory agencies, State representatives, contractors and field teams

## **Conservation Intern**

August-September 2014

Society for Conservation Biology, Washington, D.C.

- Proofread and edited Director of Wildlife Conservation's recovery plans and recommendations
- Analyzed and synthesized federal, state, tribal and international environmental acts and agreements
- Represented SCB in meetings and briefings around Washington, D.C.

# Undergraduate Research Assistant - Ix Jaguar Project

August-December 2009

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia

- Analyzed digital/print images from camera traps deployed in Belize, data entry and management
- Identified Belizean species with target species at individual level (spot ID): jaguars and ocelots

# **SKILLS**

# VOLUNTEER

# **Field**

30+ lb. pack, acoustic hydrophones, DSLR cameras, camera traps, distance sampling, hand/power tools, GPS/EPIRB, point counts, reticle rangefinders, scope, taxonomic/dichotomous keys, theodolite, topographic maps

## Tech

Adobe Pro, ArcGIS/ArcMap, Bit.ly, Canva, Dropbox, G Suite/Google Analytics, IMatch, iNaturalist, Miradi, MS Suite, Photo-ID, Pythagoras, QA/QC, QGIS, R, SEO, SPSS, Squarespace, WordPress, Wrike

Zooniverse: Colorado Corridors Project, Beluga Bits, Dolphin Chat, Earthquake Detective, Manatee Chat, Notes from Nature, Whale Chat - Ongoing

DC Covote Project - 2020

# **EXTRACURRICULAR**

Backpacking, bouldering, clean-ups, hiking, freediving, wilderness/wildlife photography